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\$8,000 FOR ROADS

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES STILL HAVE \$1,400 LEFT IN TREASURY.

FAVOR CONTRACT SYSTEM

Some Reasons Given by Burt M. Rowley as to Why Better Results Would Be Obtained That Way.

Polk township has spent during the last year nearly \$8,000 for roads, bridges and culverts in this township, and has a fund of \$1,400 left over. Burt M. Rowley, township trustee, in speaking of the matter Friday, said:

"Of the money appropriated to roads and township fund for 1911, which was \$9,018.19, all has been spent on roads, bridges and culverts except \$1,400, which, carried over with this year's taxes, will be put on the roads the coming year. The township has put in several concrete culverts this year, and more would have been put in had not cold weather stopped the work. But the board intends to continue the construction of cement culverts where old wooden ones wear out.

"Some, no doubt, will censure the township board for not spending all of the money on the roads instead of having \$1,400 left on hand, but we feel that we have done our best, as all road overseers have put in all the time they could spare from their farm work. Of course, if a road overseer did not have any farm work to do and could give his entire attention to road work, a great deal more could be accomplished. All road overseers are authorized by the board to pay for dragging the roads when necessary at the rate of 75 cents per mile. This, perhaps, is not enough, as some roads would require a great deal more work, while some could easily be dragged for 75 cents. There are many people who keep up their road who do not want and do not expect any remuneration for dragging, their interest being in the good of the road.

"Road overseers also often complain that they have a hard time some times to get teams and help on road work; that oftentimes they call on parties to do road work and they promise to be on the job, but when the overseer goes to work they fail to show up or have made arrangements to do something else.

"I believe the contract system which has been a success in adjoining townships is the best, and would like to see it in force in this township. That is, to have all poll taxes paid in cash and used to pay some reliable man who understands road work and who would be properly equipped with road machinery to do the work, to put him out over the township regardless of what district it might be in, but wherever the roads need it the worst, and contract with him at so much per mile or day, and let him give his entire attention to the roads.

"The trouble is, all the overseers are farmers and have crops to tend, and when the roads need to be worked and could work easier, they are busy with their farm work. And again, when an overseer is obliged to work, say three teams on a grade, they generally spend a good half of the morning in rigging up the teams, and by the time the teams are working together good they are ready to quit, and the next day, with new teams, the performance is repeated, all of which would be done away with under the contract system, where the same teams would be used day after day.

"Polk township has plenty of money when the taxes are all paid in, and if every one will lend a helping hand and do their part I am sure we can depend on good roads."

A queer trade in China is the keeping of very large stags for the sake of their horns. The horns are cut every summer and the yield from a single animal is sold for \$25 in gold.

A marriage license was granted in St. Joseph Thursday to Fred L. Haynes of Skidmore and Goldie M. Still of Osage City, Kan.

News of Society and Womens' Clubs

For Miss Campbell.

Mrs. George B. Baker gave a small informal party Thursday afternoon for her niece, Miss Mary Campbell of Kansas City.

Married Last Sunday.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Donnel, east of Clearmont, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Hester, to Otis Pence, last Sunday, in the presence of the immediate relatives of both families, the Rev. Wiley, pastor of the M. E. church of Clearmont officiating. They will be at home to their friends after March 1 in the H. G. Donnel farm, which they have rented.

For Nebraska Guest.

Mrs. LeGrand Gann informally entertained four tables of guests at six-hand euchre Wednesday afternoon in compliment to her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur A. Leet, of Crab Orchard, Neb., who spent the Christmas week in Maryville. The game prize was won by Mrs. Blake Alexander of Bushnell, Ill., who is visiting in the city, and the lone-hand prize went to Miss Laura Barmann.

A. Y. L. L. Club.

Misses Mayme and Anna Dooley entertained the A. Y. L. L. club Thursday night at six-hand euchre. Miss Mabel Todd won the game prize and Miss Lena Nixon the guest prize. After the games a buffet supper was served in the dining room, which was handsomely decorated in Christmas colors. Miss Mayme Tobin and Mrs. J. P. Cummings were the guests of the club. The club will be entertained at its next meeting by Miss Winifred Ashby, at the home of Mrs. C. Q. Smith.

Entertained at Quilting.

Mrs. J. A. Howard very pleasantly entertained a number of her friends and neighbors at a quilting Wednesday at her country home, nine miles southwest of Maryville. At 12 o'clock a sumptuous dinner was served. All enjoyed the occasion and spent a merry time together. Mrs. Howard was assisted in entertaining by her nieces, Misses Chloe and Esther Busby.

The guests were Mrs. Elihu Busby, Mrs. Howard Greeson, Mrs. Ed Riggle, Mrs. I. N. Swallow, Mrs. James Johnson, Mrs. Charles Blagg, Miss Esther Busby, Miss Chloe Busby, Miss Bertha Johnson and Miss Bertha Swallow.

Afternoon and Evening Parties.

Mrs. W. R. Wells and her daughter, Miss Marie Wells, who is at home for the holidays from Northwestern university of Chicago, and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charles Wells of Pryor, Okla., entertained a large domino party Thursday afternoon. They were assisted by Mrs. Wells' sister, Mrs. I. W. Nixon, and daughters, Mrs. W. W. Smith of Kansas City, Kan., and Misses Lena, Blanche and Myrtle Nixon, Miss Litta Roelofson, Jessie Mutz, and Misses Mabel and Edith Wells.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Wells and their sons, Robert, Harry and Burnham Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wells and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wells entertained another company with a domino party.

Mrs. Grace Rickard Married.

Announcement of the marriage of Mrs. Grace Rickard, formerly of Maryville, appeared in the St. Joseph News-Press of Wednesday. Mrs. Rickard was married Tuesday, December 19, at Jacksonville, Fla., to Dr. D. A. Sims of Fort Smith, Ark., who is an old friend of the family of the bride's father, E. Awalt of St. Joseph, formerly of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Awalt and their daughter and Miss Elsie Swann, who makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Awalt, went to Jacksonville to spend the winter. They moved to St. Joseph from Maryville about two years ago. Dr. and Mrs. Sims will be at home in Fort Smith, where he is a practicing physician. Dr. Sims visited the Awalt family while they were residents of Maryville.

Entertained for Niece.

Miss Nell Hudson entertained a company of girls Thursday afternoon in honor of her niece, Miss Helen Hudson of Norfolk, Neb., who is in the city spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hudson, and Mrs. Helen Hopkins. The guests were all former schoolmates of the guest of honor during her residence in Maryville. Miss Helen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hudson, who moved from Maryville to Norfolk last

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IS PRINCIPAL ISSUE

DR. TAYLOR SAYS TEMPERANCE IS MAIN ISSUE OF COUNTRY.

KEEPING STUDENTS AWAY

He Meets the Saloon Objection Everywhere He Goes in District and From Best People.

The mass meeting held in the court house Thursday evening was well attended and the temperance question was discussed by President H. K. Taylor of the Normal school and E. F. Jones, state secretary of the Anti-Saloon league, who is now in the city. Mr. Jones was the first speaker of the evening, and only talked for a few minutes, and urged the local option workers to be sure to see that every dry vote is voted on election day, January 5.

President Taylor of the State Normal, as is well known, is an uncompromising foe of the liquor traffic. He believes it is the principal issue before the people of this country today, because its settlement means a stand for the right or a stand for the wrong, and calls for the highest moral action on the part of every man who has his own good and that of his fellow-man at heart. He spoke particularly of the influence the two saloons of Maryville are exerting in keeping away students from the State Normal, and told of numbers of times he had been told by well-to-do men of this Normal district that they would not send their sons and daughters to a town to be educated where the sentiment of its people is so lax as to allow the existence of two saloons such as Maryville has. He meets that objection wherever he goes in the nineteen counties of the district, and he says that the whole northwest part of the state is watching Maryville with intense interest in regard to her settlement of this question.

President Taylor thinks the whole matter presents itself in just this way to the voter: Will you stand for the boys and girls and the State Normal school, or will you stand for the two drunkard-making manufactories of Maryville?

DEATH OF JUDGE NOBLE.

Passed Away Friday Morning at His Home in Coolidge, Kan.—Body Will Be Brought to Maryville.

Judge M. E. Noble, a pioneer resident of Nodaway county, died at his home in Coolidge, Kan., Friday morning, at the age of more than 80 years. The body will be brought to Maryville for burial by his daughter, Miss Mattie Noble. Burial will take place in Miriam cemetery by the bodies of the late wife and daughter of the deceased.

The news of Judge Noble's death was received at 1 o'clock Friday by Charles E. Jones of this city, a nephew of the deceased.

Meeting Postponed.

The meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the M. E. church, South, which was to have been held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Del Thompson, has been postponed until Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, when Mrs. Thompson will entertain the society. All the members are urged to be present as it is the time for the election of officers.

Spent the Day Hunting.

Messrs. Robert Brown, Ray Foland and Horace Campbell spent the day Thursday at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lyle, southeast of the city, as the guests of their sons, Virgil, Aubrey and Omar Lyle. The boys spent the day hunting on their farm.

At Bedford Poultry Show.

The Bedford poultry show is going on this week in that city. F. P. Robinson of this city has nine Buff Rocks on exhibition at the show, and J. D. Thompson and G. W. Thompson of Hopkins have also birds on exhibition.

Dr. Martin Has Pneumonia.

Dr. F. M. Martin is confined to his home by pneumonia fever. He was visited Thursday by Dr. Westover of St. Joseph, who considered his condition as well as can be expected. There can be no change for the better before a period of six days.

Cold Wave Coming.

A drop of 20 degrees or more in the temperature will occur by tomorrow morning, according to the local weather forecaster.

TWO CORN RAISERS

EDNA C. TUCKER AND HUBERT CORKEN BREAK RECORDS.

SHOW WHAT WORK WILL DO

Brain and Brawn Combined With Good Seed Produce Crops in Poor Year Above Average of Good Years.

Hubert Corken, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Corken, living two miles southwest of Burlington Junction, broke all records for big acre yields of corn in Nodaway county when he produced 96 bushels and 42 pounds of corn on a single acre of ground. The St. Joseph Gazette, in a recent issue, had the following about young Mr. Corken, and also about Miss Edna C. Tucker of Parnell, who raised 79 bushels of corn on a worn-out acre:

This is Edna C. Tucker's story of how she raised 79 bushels and 20 pounds of corn on a worn-out acre of ground:

"My acre of ground is upland, and on a badly worn farm. I selected the



EDNA C. TUCKER, Parnell Girl Who Tells How She Made Record Yield.

best acre on the farm and purchased Reid's Yellow Dent for my seed corn. I double disked this plot on April 29; May 4 I listed the plot, and May 11 I re-listed and planted it with a two-horse corn planter, running the planter in the lister marks. The corn was drilled about nine inches apart in the row, the rows being three feet four inches apart. I then hitched a horse to a small log and dragged it over the rows to pulverize the clods. After the corn was three or four inches high I hauled one load of barn yard manure and put a small shovel full in each hill on the poorest spots. I harrowed it the next day after planting and again on May 27. May 30 a heavy rain damaged it badly by washing. I pulled the dirt up to the corn that was still in the row and replanted it the 2nd and 3rd of June. I cultivated it five



HUBERT CORKEN, Burlington Junction Boy Who is the Champion Corn Grower of the County.

times with a two-horse walking cultivator, and during the latter part of my fifty days' drought I kept going through my corn with a one-horse pulverizer or float to bring the moisture to the top of the ground. I had a dust mulch about four or five inches deep.

"My corn was tasseling July 1; was in roasting ear July 29; was deuted August 6, and was harvested November 9, and weighed 4,220 pounds of dry husked corn. I chose this work because I like outdoor labor and fell

so in love with it that I intend to plant a larger acreage next year. I learned many things about farming and gained in stature and strength. County Superintendent W. M. Oakerson was so kind to help and encourage me, and while my yield was not as large as I should have liked, I suppose it did well considering the soil, the dry, hot summer, and my first attempt at farming."

At the recent boys' corn show, held under the direction of W. M. Oakerson, county superintendent of schools, young Corken won first prize in the acre contest and was awarded \$20. He will enter the state corn show, which will be held in Columbia from January 8 to 12. The largest acre yield for the state last year was 93 bushels, almost four bushels less than the Burlington Junction boy raised this year. The state prize is \$35, and if young Corken is successful in winning it the corn contest association in this county will give him an additional \$50.

The first prize in the acre contest in this county last year was won by Young Corken with a yield of 83 bushels, almost 14 bushels less than he had this year. He also won third place in the state contest last year, which was held at Columbia. In the ten-acre contest, which was held in Maryville, November 2 to 4, he won the second prize of \$9 on yellow corn.

The acre of ground on which young Corken produced his corn this year is located on the Nodaway river bottom, and was formerly part of a swamp. He prepared the ground by first cutting it up with a disc. He then plowed it with a stirring plow, harrowed and double listed it. He planted his seed, which was raised the year previous on the same farm, about May 15. The corn was planted with a checkrow. The crop was cultivated three times during the growing season and was then given no further attention until time for husking.

Young Corken feels justly proud of his records made in the leading agricultural product of Nodaway county, and his friends are confident that he will come out a winner in the state contest.

TO MEET AT ST. JOSEPH.

Standard Poland-China Record Association to Meet Here Wednesday.

Next Wednesday the Standard Poland-China Record association will meet in the assembly room on the fourth floor of the exchange building, at South St. Joseph. The men will be in session all day, and many matters of importance will be discussed.

Most of the members of the association will go Tuesday, and on Tuesday night they will be entertained at the Transit house in that city with a banquet, to which members of the live stock exchange, managers of the packing houses, officers of the Stock Yards company and of the Stock Yards bank, the mayor of the city and members of the new Commerce club, all of St. Joseph, will be invited.

It is expected that the coming meeting will be the best attended of any ever held by the association.

TILSON BACK WITH SMITH.

Will Be Taken to Jefferson City Probably Next Week.

Sheriff W. R. Tilson returned to Maryville Friday noon over the Wash with Charles W. Smith, a 19-year-old boy, who is to be taken to the penitentiary at Jefferson City, having broken his parole. Smith was at Twin Falls, Idaho, having been there for some time.

Smith was convicted at the February term of circuit court of the charge of stealing a hog from William Moring, east of town, and was sentenced to two years in the pen. The court, however, paroled him, but having broken the parole, Smith will have to serve out the sentence in the pen. He will be taken there in the next few days.

TO BE IN THE BLUE BOOK.

Both the Saints and the Glidden Tour Highways to Be in That Book.

Secretary G. B. Roseberry of the Commercial club received word this week from the publishers of the Blue Book, the automobile guide book, that the Saints Highway and Glidden tour route of 1910 from Kansas City to Omaha will be in the Blue Book for 1912. If the proper data is furnished as to running directions. All that remains to be done now is to get these directions, and this will be done before January 15.

The people who make their living by working underground in mines and quarries number 6,000,000. These 6,000,000 laborers dig \$4,000,000,000 of wealth out of the earth every year.

TO GO TO JEFF. CITY

A NUMBER OF MARYVILLE ATTORNEYS TO THAT CITY.

TO ARGUE RASCO CASE

Before Supreme Court Next Week—Decision Will Not Be Given Soon.

A number of the lawyers of Maryville will be out of the city the first part of next week, as that is the time when the Rasco case will be argued before the division No. 2 of the supreme court of Missouri. The case is set on the docket for next Tuesday.

Prosecuting Attorney George Pat Wright and his assistant prosecuting attorney, M. E. Ford, and W. A. Blagg, attorneys for the state, and Attorneys E. E. Williams, Ellis G. Cook and W. H. Crawford for Rasco, will journey to Jefferson City Monday. Campbell Cummings, assistant attorney general, will have charge of the state's case.

The judges of division No. 2 are Judges John Kennish, John C. Brown and Ferris. It is likely that no decision will be given in the case until the March term of the supreme court.

If the decision of the supreme court sustains that of the lower court here Rasco will probably hang for the crime of which he was convicted. But if the supreme court reverses the case a new trial will be given Rasco.

Hez Rasco, in the Buchanan county jail at St. Joseph, is not worrying much over the outcome, so it seems.

WILL LOCATE NEAR LIBERTY.

Clive C. Graves Expects to Purchase Farm in Clay County for Dairy Business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clive C. Graves, who recently sold their farm, Elm Ridge one mile north of the city, expect to go to Liberty, Mo., about the first of March, near where they expect to purchase a farm and conduct a dairy business. Mrs. Graves' parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Black, are among the old residents of Liberty.

Mr. Graves is recognized as one of the leading breeders of Jersey cattle in Northwest Missouri, and his removal will be a loss to his fellow breeders here. He expects to have a choice herd of Jersey cattle on his Clay county farm, and he will be located only a few miles from Kansas City, where the products of his business will be highly remunerative to him.

Today's Markets

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.
Cattle—3,500. Market steady. Estimate tomorrow, 290.
Hogs—29,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$6.40. Estimate tomorrow, 15,000.
Sheep—13,000.

KANSAS CITY.
Cattle—600. Market steady.
Hogs—8,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$6.20.
Sheep—500.

ST. JOSEPH.
Cattle—300.
Hogs—8,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$6.25.
Sheep—200.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.
National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 28—Cattle receipts, 2,200. No change for steers and cows, but the butcher trade was in poor shape, declining 10 to 15c. Top steers brought \$7.15. Not much prospect for any improvement until after the first of the year.

Hog receipts, 19,500. Market in active shape today with values 5@10c higher. One load of extra choice heavy hogs brought an outside price of \$6.65. Bulk of the good hogs brought \$6.00@6.35. The outlook is favorable in this trade.

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Happy New Year

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Maryville, Mo.

The Weather

Snow tonight and Saturday; colder with cold wave.

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CRANE'S.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 30

We Shall Begin Our Yearly Clearing Sale and Continue Until Saturday Night, Jan. 6th---Just 7 Business Days

Men's Suits and Overcoats, Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats---the saving is actual---the Suits and Overcoats are the ones left from our fall lines---not a'l sizes in any lot-- but plenty of sizes in the different lots. There are models for Men and Young Men---al the new ones, also stouts, longs and extra sizes. "Society Brand," "Chicago Clothes" and "Xtragood" Suits for Boys. All our Men's Fancy Worsted Cassimere and Cheviot Suits will be put in 4 lots as follows:

Men's Suits

\$25.00 and \$22.50 Suits at.....	\$18.00
20.00 and 18.50 Suits at.....	15.00
16.50 and 15.00 Suits at.....	11.00
10.00 Suits at.....	7.50

Boy's Long Pant Suits

\$15.00 Suits at.....	\$11.00
12.50 Suits at.....	9.00
10.00 Suits at.....	7.50
8.50 and 7.50 Suits at.....	5.50

Boy's Knee Pant Suits

\$10.00 Suits at.....	\$7.50
9.00 and \$8.50 Suits at.....	6.50
7.50 and 6.50 Suits at.....	5.00
5.50 and 5.00 Suits at.....	4.00
4.50 and 4.00 Suits at.....	3.00

We have about 50 Men's Overcoats and 35 Boys' Overcoats that we will sell at the same discount.

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MT. AYR.

It looks like Christmas time now since the ground is covered with snow. Mrs. Thomas Mendenhall and son Leonard and his wife and baby were week-end visitors at the home of F. Schweikhardt and family.

The program given by the Council Corner and Mt. Ayr schools at the church last Saturday was well rendered and the teachers, as well as those who took part, deserve great praise for the work which they did.

E. E. Moxing and Joe Wilms were out rabbit hunting last Tuesday, and report great luck.

Henry Heitman and family ate Christmas dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heitman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Cook and baby of Maryville and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Schweikhardt of Bedison spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. D. H. Inman.

Miss Clara Heitman is still improving, and we hope that she may soon be able to be out again.

There were many beautiful and useful presents placed on the tree at Mt. Ayr church Saturday night, and Santa Claus was there in all his furs which very much pleased the children.

G. A. Schweikhardt and wife spent Sunday afternoon with the former's mother, Mrs. S. E. Schweikhardt.

There will be preaching next Sunday night at Mt. Ayr by the pastor, Rev. Royston.

PILES CURED IN 5 TO 14 DAYS.

Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

Funeral Will Be Saturday.

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Catharine Riley, who died Thursday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John House, living three miles east of the city, will be held at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Oak Hill church, east of Maryville, instead of on Friday afternoon, as was announced in Thursday's paper. Burial will take place in the cemetery at the church. Rev. Claude J. Miller will conduct the services.

NEW STATE MANUAL

MISSOURI'S BLUE BOOK FOR 1911-12 IS OUT.

THE LARGEST MANUAL

That Has Ever Been Issued by the State---Is a Historical and Political Review of State.

A copy of the Official Manual of Missouri for the years 1811-1912, prepared by Secretary of State Roach, was received Thursday by The Democrat-Forum.

This is the largest and most comprehensive manual ever issued by the state, and, besides the indexes, contains 834 pages. It is both a historical and political review of Missouri and, in addition, contains a vast amount of miscellaneous information, covering almost every subject pertaining to the state and national governments.

There are pictures in it of all the state officials, members of congress, judges of the supreme and appellate courts, members of the state senate and house of representatives and all the state buildings and institutions.

A striking picture of Mark Twain is on the front page, and there also is a full page engraving of the fire that destroyed the old state capitol February 5, 1911.

Recent elections, including the state primaries, are enumerated and the vote is recorded, to meet the most exacting demands of those interested in politics.

What doubtless will provoke the Republicans is the record of the apportionment of the state senatorial districts, arranged last summer by Attorney General Major and Secretary of State Roach, which Governor Hadley refused to promulgate. This is to be found on pages 482-83.

Unless the courts interfere these districts will be certified to the election officials next year as legally constituted, and the votes for state senator will be in accordance therewith.

The first manual, a mere pamphlet in comparison with the present one, was issued by former Secretary of State Michael K. McGrath of St. Louis in the early eighties, and largely at his own expense. At that time the state did not make provision for printing the book, but its appearance soon created a demand that the legislature could not ignore.

NEWS OF SOCIETY AND WOMEN'S CLUBS

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June. The afternoon was spent in playing dominoes, after which four of the guests, Miss Mildred Bellows, Miss Laura Curfman, Miss Mabel Curfman,

Miss Nellie Hutton and Miss Helen Hudson, gave a musical program of piano numbers. The prizes at dominoes, a poinsettia, went to Miss Fay Herndon. The consolation prize, a jack in the box, went to Miss Minda Barr. A luncheon consisting of marshmallow pudding, cake and chocolate was served. The hostess was assisted in entertaining by Miss Carrie Hopkins, an aunt of the honor guest. Those present were Mrs. W. H. Hudson, Mrs. Helen Hopkins, Misses Carrie Hopkins, Esther Dietz, Mary Louise Andrews, Beatrice Growney, Lou Mutz, Fay Herndon, Minda Barr, Laura Curfman, Mildred Bellows, Mabel Curfman, Nellie Hutton and Blanche Gray.

St. Joseph Dinner Guests.

Mrs. D. N. Scott and daughter, Miss Besse, entertained at dinner Friday Mrs. Guy Bowers of St. Joseph. Mrs. Bowers is in Maryville on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Mary Neuens.

Thursday Dinner Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Craig entertained with a dinner Thursday for their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Coe of Tarkio, who are their holiday guests. The invited company present were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gex and their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gex of Higgins, Texas; Mrs. John M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Florian Gex of Ghent, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burris of Graham, and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holmes.

First Time in Eight Years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gex of near Graham held a family reunion at the beautiful home Wednesday, the first time the family had all been together in eight years. Their family consists of five sons and five daughters, who are John and William Gex, young farmers of Hughes township; Florin Gex of Ghent, Ky.; Louis Gex of Higgins, Texas; Robert Brookings Gex a student in a military school in Kentucky; Mrs. William V. Mountjoy and Mrs. John M. Wilson of Graham; Mrs. Halbert Catterson of near Maryville, and Misses Bettie and Mariam, at home.

Concert Company to Fairfax.

The State Normal Concert quartet left Friday morning for Fairfax, Mo., where they will put on a concert this Friday evening.

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MABRAY SYNDICATE GAVE OUT COMPLETE LIST OF VICTIMS.

ONLY TWO FROM HERE

Majority of Victims at Council Bluffs---Many at Seattle and New Orleans.

In the list of victims of the swindle gang as revealed at the trial show that there were two in this section. They were W. H. Bedford of Bolckow, who dropped \$5,000, and Z. Pierpoint of Maryville, who lost \$2,100.

Mabray's alleged relations with Ben Marks and the numerous occasions on which Mabray declares he visited Marks at the latter's home on Vine street, in Council Bluffs, Ia., were gone into in detail in the cross-examination of the arch conspirator Thursday. Mabray's testimony in chief was not shaken in the least, and the efforts of the defense so far seem to have achieved just one main purpose---the blackening of the character of Mabray by the recitation of the long list of his misdeeds. No pity has been shown him in that regard nor in any other.

Mabray has given a supposedly complete list of the "mikes" who were swindled by the "big store" either in Seattle, New Orleans or Council Bluffs and was able to identify the names of the victims whose losses aggregated the enormous total of \$454,205. Council Bluffs victims numbered more than half of the grand total, the other being divided between New Orleans and Seattle. The division of the "mikes" in the list shows:

Council Bluffs victims, 1907.... \$ 79,680
Council Bluffs victims, 1909.... 176,595

Total Bluffs victims.....\$256,275
New Orleans victims.....\$149,980
Seattle victims..... 48,550

Grand total.....\$454,205

This list does not include the names of a few victims regarding whom Mabray could not testify. E. L. Collins of Dallas Center, Ia., was included in the list as a victim of the gang in New Orleans, May 3, 1907, when he lost \$10,000 on a wrestling match. Mabray said he could not recall the name, and the date would indicate that Mabray had come to Council Bluffs shortly before that time.

There were a number of scattering cases of "miking" at different times on the list as it was submitted to Mabray. A couple of "mikes" were taken to South Bend, Ind., one to San Francisco, one to Los Angeles, two to Denver, some \$60,000 being taken from them, according to the list, but Mabray declared he knew nothing of those sporadic instances.

Referring to his experience while in prison at Leavenworth, Mabray said he had been visited there by a number of people to talk about the operations of the gang. Among them were Postoffice Inspectors Swenson and Ranger, Attorney General Cosson, United States Marshal Clark, Deputy United States Marshal Groneweg, Tom Dennison of Omaha, and a number of others.

He had never made but one written confession, that being to Swenson some nine or ten months or a year before the visit of Mr. Cosson, which he fixed as about August of the present year.

Asked as to whom visited him in the prison after the visit of Mr. Cosson, Mabray named Dennison and a Kansas City hotel man named Bond.

"Did you talk with these visitors,

after the visit of the attorney general, about any promises that may have been made to you with reference to these other cases here?" asked Mr. Organ.

"Yes, sir."

While the question was asked as to any such conversation with regard to such promises of immunity, there was no question asked if he had been given any promises of immunity. The topic of the examination was immediately changed.

He was asked particularly as to his visit to Council Bluffs at the time he appeared before the grand jury that indicted Marks in October, before his sentence at Leavenworth had been completed.

It was brought out that he was brought here, as published at the time by way of Des Moines, and that while at Des Moines he stopped at a hotel with his guard and with Mrs. Mabray, and was taken on a Sunday afternoon to the state capitol for a lengthy conference with the attorney-general.

While at Des Moines Mabray stated he had seen the attorney general, Assistant Attorney General Fletcher, Assistant Attorney General Sampson, Postoffice Inspectors Swenson and Ranger, and also some personal friends, including Sheriff Ness, Jailer Wise and Bob King, a saloon man.

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There is no sense in giving it a pill or a remedy containing an opiate, nor is flushing of the bowels to be always recommended. Rather give it a small dose of a mild, gentle laxative tonic like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which, by cleaning out the bowels and

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This is not alone our opinion but that of Mrs. N. H. Mead of Freeport, Kan., whose granddaughter has been taking it successfully and of Mrs. J. R. Whiting of Lena, Wis., who gives it to her children and takes it herself. It is sold in fifty cent and one dollar bottles at every drug store, but if you want to test it in your family before you buy it send your address to Dr. Caldwell and he will forward a trial bottle free of charge.

Address him Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 541 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

IT'S A POOR CAUSE THAT HAS NO ARGUMENT OF ITS OWN TO OFFER.

It's no exaggeration to say that Maryville is the queen city of Northwest Missouri, but in painting the good certain people have omitted to mention the fact that there is one objectionable feature in the town—the saloons and their element. Do they attribute the splendid school system, the hospital, the State Normal, the miles of paved streets, the extensive sewerage system and the other improvements to the work of the saloons as city builders?

But what of the fact that every few days, and often for days at a time, headlines in the city papers tell of drunken excesses and the work of the police court? Is that good advertising for Maryville?

Will this not serve to drive away people who might otherwise bring their children to Maryville? Would not people who are desirous of locating in a school town prefer the city without temptations in the way of saloons? Is it a good thing for Maryville, with all of its other advantages, that police court news must be featured each day in the papers?

Hundreds of Maryville young men and women have found distinction and honorable service in other cities, in all the walks of life, but was it because of the saloon? Was it because of the liquors sold over the bars of the two saloons that they attained such prominent positions in other parts of the country? Those who have succeeded are those who abstained from the use of intoxicating drinks in spite of the temptations of the saloons.

Can the saloons claim that because of their existence here that a good school system was founded, that the climate is healthful and that the citizens are liberal, progressive and intelligent? Would not the citizens of Maryville be just as healthful, wise and progressive had it not been for the saloon? Does the saloon beget wisdom and learning?

The drunken brawls that take place about the saloons every few days, the drunken men who stagger through the streets almost daily, bumping into women and children, and the greatly increased cost of the working of the police system are blackening the city in the eyes of those who patronize the local merchants, or who might otherwise be residents and citizens of the town.

The only argument advanced by the saloon interests so far has been the effort to hide the saloon and its work behind the skirts of the church, the schools and the good people who have gone out of Maryville to find success, etc. Why is it that the saloon interests must point out the school, the church and home as a reason for their continuance and neglect to mention its own work and output? What kind of a cause is it that cannot advance the argument of its own works in its favor?

It requires no stretching of imagination or deviation from the truth to see cases of once well known business men who have fallen through the influences of the saloon. How an occasional drink, a treat from a friend have led to frequent drunks and carousals, and this in turn has led to men falling so low as to sell the clothing of the wife for money for drink. What of the man who exercises personal liberty to the extent of chasing his wife from his home? Do they mention the cases of poor and needy families denied proper food and clothing because the money belonging to them is spent in the saloons?

Maryville people have had to apologize for the saloons for the past four years the Normal has been located here. Will it be necessary for Maryville people to appear in the role of apologists after January 5? "Vote her dry."—Advertisement.

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On Wednesday, January 3rd, 1912, W. H. Klair of Wilmington, Del., will be at my barn to buy express load horses. Bring in your fat horses, any size. Remember the date, one day only. J. A. FORD.

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CHAPTER IV.—Continued.

Dazed momentarily, Emily stood, then caught up her skirts and ran after him. She knew well enough what the testers of the cars risked.

"Dick!" she appealed. "Dick!" But it was not the wreck she anticipated that met her eyes as she came through the hedge. On the opposite side of the road a long low skeleton car was standing, one side lurching drunkenly down with two wheels in the gutter. Still in his seat, the driver was leaning over the steering-wheel, out of breath, but laughing a greeting to the astonished Dick.

"A break in the steering-gear," he declared, by way of explanation. "I told Bailey it was a weak point; now perhaps he'll believe me and strengthen it."

"You're not hurt," Dick inferred. "I think she's not—a tire gone. Find anything wrong, Rupert?"

"Two tires off," said the laconic mechanic. "Two funerals postponed. That was a pretty stop, Darling."

"Very," coolly agreed Lestrangle, rising and removing his goggles. "What's the matter, French?"

"You frightened us out of our five sense, that's all. Do you usually practise for races out here?"

"Us?" repeated Lestrangle, and turning, saw the girl at the edge of the park. "Miss French, I beg your pardon!"

The swift change in his tone, the ease of deference with which he bared his head and motor caps not being readily donned or doffed, so remained bareheaded in the bright sunlight, savored of the Continent.

"It is too commonplace to say good morning," Emily replied, her color rising with her smile. "I am very glad you escaped. But that is commonplace, too, I'm afraid."

"Every one is commonplace before breakfast," reassured her cousin. "Honestly, Lestrangle, do you practice racing here?"

"Hardly. I'm trying out the car; every car has to go through that before it is used. Don't you know that we've recently secured from the local authorities a permit to run at any speed over this road between four o'clock and eight in the morning? I thought all the countryside knew that."

"But we have a regiment of men to test cars."

Lestrangle passed a caressing glance over the dingy-gray machine in its state of bareness that suggested indecorum.

"This is my car, the one I'll race this spring and summer. No one

drives it but me. Besides, I have to have some diversion."

He stepped to the ground with the last word, and went around to where Rupert was on his knees beside the machine.

"Can you fix it here?" he demanded. "Not precisely," was the drawled reply. "Back to camp for it with a horse in front."

"All right. You'll have to walk down and get a car from Mr. Bailey to tow it home."

Rupert got up, his dark, malign little face twisted.

"If I'd broken a leg they'd have sent a cart for me," he mourned. "Now I'll have to walk, and I ain't used to it. Hard luck!"

"If you go around to the stables they will give you my pony cart," Emily offered impulsively. "You," her dimpling smile gleamed out, "you once put a tire on for me, you know. Please let me return the service."

Rupert's black eyes opened, a slow grin of appreciation crinkled streaks of dust and oil as he surveyed the young girl.

"I'll put tires on every wheel you run into control, day and night shifts," he acknowledged with sweet cordiality. "But I'm no horse-chauffeur, thanks; I guess I'll walk."

"He is a gentle pony," she remonstrated. "Any one can drive him."

He turned a side glance toward the motionless car.

"That's all right, but I'm used to being killed other ways. I'll be going."

"Jack Rupert, do you mean to tell



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me that you will race with Lestrangle every season, and yet you're afraid to drive a fat cob?" cried the delighted Dick.

"I'm not telling anything. I had a chum who was pitched out by a horse he lost control of, and broke his neck. I'm taking no chances."

"How many men have you seen break their necks out of autos?"

"That's in business," pronounced Rupert succinctly. "I'm going on, Darling; it's only a two-mile run."

"Here, wait," Dick urged. "Emily, I'll stroll around to the stables with him and make one of the men drive him down. You don't mind my leaving you?"

"No," Emily answered. "I will wait for you."

She might have walked back alone, if she had chosen. But instead she sat down on a boulder near the hedge, folding her hands in her lap like a demure child. The house was so dull, so hopelessly monotonous contrasted with this fresh, wind-tossed outdoors and Lestrangle in his vigor of life and glamour of ultra-modern adventure.

"You and Mr. French are very good," Lestrangle said presently. "I am afraid I appreciate it more than Rupert, though."

"Is he really afraid of horses?"

"I should not wonder; I never tried him. But he is amazingly truthful."

Their eyes met across the strip of sunny road as they smiled; again Emily felt the sudden confidence, the falling away of all constraint before the direct clarity of his regard.

"You won your race," she said irrelevantly. "I was glad, since you wanted it."

"Thank you," he returned with equal simplicity. "But I did not want it that way, so far as I was concerned."

"Yet, it was the next step?"

"Yes, it was the next step. I meant that one does not care to be victor because the leading cars were wrecked. There is no elation in defeating a driver who lies out on the course. But, as you say, it helped my purpose. You," he hesitated for the right phrase, "you are most kind to recall that I have a purpose."

It was the convent-bred Emily who looked back at him, earnest-eyed, exaltedly serious.

"I have thought of it often. Every one else that I know just lives the way things happen—there are only a few people who grasp things and make them happen. That is real work; so many of us are just given work we do not want—" she broke off.

"If we do not want the work, it is probably not our own," said Lestrangle. "Unless we have brought it on ourselves by a fault we must undo—I need not speak of that to you. One must not make the mistake of assuming some one else's work."

He spoke gently, almost as if with a clairvoyant reading of her tendency to self-immolation.

"But may not some one else's fault be given us to undo?" she asked eagerly. "May not their work be forced on us?"

"No," he answered. "No?" bewildered.

"I don't think so. Each one of us has enough with his own, at least so it seems to me. Most of us die before we finish it."

Emily paused, contending with the loneliness and doubts which impelled her to speech, the feminine yearning to let another decide her problems. This other's nonchalant strength of decision allured her uncertainty.

"I am discouraged," she confessed. "And tired. I—there is no reason why I should not speak of it. You know Dick, how he can do nothing in the factory or business, or in the places where a French should stand. All this must fall into the hands of strangers, to be broken and forgotten, when my uncle dies, for lack of some one who would care. And Uncle Ethan seems severe and hard, but it grieves him all the time. His only son was not a good man; he lives abroad with his wife, who was an actress before he married her. You know that?" as he moved.

"I heard something of it in the village," Lestrangle admitted gravely. "Please do not think me fond of gossip; I could not avoid it. But I should not have imagined this a family likely to make low marriages."

"It never happened before. I never saw that cousin, nor did Dick; but he was always a disappointment, always. Uncle Ethan has told me. And since he failed, and Dick fails, there is only me."

"You!" She nodded, her lip quivering.

"Only me. Not as a substitute—I am not fit for that—but to find a substitute. I have promised my uncle to marry the first one who is able to be that."

The silence was absolute. Lestrangle neither moved nor spoke, gazing down at her bent head with an expression blending many shades.

"It is a duty; there is no one except me," she added. "Only sometimes I grow—to dislike it too much. I am so selfish that sometimes I hope a substitute will never come."

Her voice died away. It was done; she, Emily French, had deliberately confided to this stranger that which an hour before she would have believed no one could force from her lips in articulate speech. And she neither regretted nor was ashamed, although there was time for full realization before Lestrangle answered.

"I did not believe," he said, "that such things could be done. It is nonsense! It is the kind of situation, Miss French, where any man is justified in interfering. I beg you will leave the affair in my hands and think no more of such morbid self-sacrifice."

Stupefied, Emily flung back her head, staring at him.

"In your hands?"

"Since there are none better, it appears. Why," his vivid face questioned her full and straightly, "you didn't imagine that any man living could hear what you are doing, and pass on?"

"My uncle knows—"

"Your uncle—is not for me to criticize. But do not ask any other man to let you go on."

Her ideas reeling, she struggled for comprehension.

"You, what could you do?" she marvelled. "The substitute—"

"There won't be any substitute," replied Lestrangle with perfect coolness. "I shall train Dick French to do his work."

"You—"

"I can, and I will."

"He can not—"

"Oh, yes, he can; he is just idle and spoiled," the firm lips set more firmly. "He shall take his place, I can handle him."

Emily sat quite helplessly, her eyes black with excitement. Slowly recollection flowed back to her of a change in Dick since his light contact with Lestrangle; his avoidance of even occasional highballs, his awakening interest in the clean sport of the races, and his half-wistful admiration for the virile driver-manager.

"I almost believe you could," she conceded.

"I can," repeated Lestrangle. "Only," he openly smiled, "it will be hard on Dickie."

It was the touch needed, the antidote to sentiment. Emily laughed with him, laughed in sheer mischief and relief and leap of youth.

"You will be gentle—poor Dickie!"

"I'll be gentle. He is coming now, I think." He took a step nearer her. "You will leave this in my care, wholly? You will not trouble about—a substitute?"

"I will leave it with you. But you are forgetting your own doctrine; you are taking some one else's work to do."

"Pardon. I am merely making French do his work. I have seen a little more of him than you perhaps know; I understand what I am undertaking. Moreover, I would forget a great many doctrines to set you free."

"Free?" she echoed; she had the sensation of being suddenly confronted with an open door into the unexpected.

"Free," he quietly reasserted. "Free to live your own life and draw unhampered breath, and to decide the great question when it comes, with thought only of yourself."

She drew back; a prescient dismay fell sharply across her late relief, a panic crossed with strange delight.

"He's off," called Dick, emerging from the park. "I made Anderson take him down with the limousine. At least, Rupert is driving while Anderson sits alongside and holds on; when they came to the turn in the avenue, your previous mechanic took it full speed and then apologized for going so slowly because, as he said, he was an amateur and likely to upset. Is he really a good driver, Lestrangle?"

"Pretty fair," returned Lestrangle serenely, from his seat on the edge of the ditched machine. "When I'm not using him, he's employed as one of the factory car testers; and when

we're racing I give him the wheel if I want to fix anything. However, I'm obliged to that steering-knuckle for breaking here, instead of leaving me to a long wait in the wilds. Come down to the shop tomorrow at six, and Rupert and I will even up by taking you for a run."

"Who? me? You're asking me?"

"Why not? It's exhilarating."

Dick removed his hat and ran his fingers through his hair, gratification and alarm mingling in his expression with somewhat the effect of the small boy who is first invited into a game with his older brother's clique.

"You—er, wouldn't smash me up?" he hesitated.

"I haven't smashed up Rupert or myself, so far. If you feel timid, never mind, of course; I'll take my usual companion."

Dick flushed all over his plump face, the French blood up at last.

"I was only joking," he hastily explained. "I'll come. It's only that you're so confoundedly reckless sometimes. Lestrangle, and— But I'll come."

Lestrangle gave his fine, glinting smile as he rose to salute Emily.

"All right. If you don't get down to the factory in time, I'll call for you," he promised.

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ROW OVER "PEACE" DINNER

PERSONAL QUARRELS PROMISE
TO BE A FEATURE.

New York's Plans for Saturday
Likely to End in Discord Unless
Most Guests Stay Away.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Representative Barthold of Missouri, widely known as a peace advocate in congress, announced that he would not attend the peace dinner in New York Saturday night.

"What's the use of going to a peace dinner if they are not for peace?" said Mr. Barthold.

New York, Dec. 29.—The peace dinner scheduled for Saturday night, has resulted in the finest lot of personal and political rows that the sincerest antagonist of peace could desire. If it has not already been broken up in a row it likely will break up in one, unless most of the invited guests stay away.

Mr. Roosevelt, whose peace sentiments are widely known, promptly declined the second invitation sent him to attend. Asked the reason, he said: "I am not going because I am not hungry."

Later, Mr. Roosevelt said: "Things seem to have been humming this week and they will hum some more. I guess everyone will know where I stand on some things before I get through."

"I have expressed my willingness to have the letter I wrote to the committee of the peace dinner made public Saturday night. I hope it will not be made public until after the dinner, for I expressed myself mightily plainly and yet I would not wish to interfere with the dinner."

Andrew Carnegie, not President Taft, it is said, was responsible for Roosevelt's refusal to attend.

Mayor Gaynor sent word to the committee that he would not serve as chairman of the reception committee. It was explained that the mayor withdrew because John Temple Graves had been selected as toastmaster.

HACK DRIVER MUST PAY PENALTY

Governor Hadley Refuses to Pardon
Murderer on Plea of Organized Labor.

Jefferson City, Dec. 29.—So far as Gov. Hadley is concerned, Edgar G. Bailey of Kansas City must end his days in the penitentiary. Gov. Hadley addressed a letter to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in which he reviews the crime for which Bailey was convicted, the adverse views of Pardon Attorney Denton in the matter of clemency for Bailey and his own conclusion that the petition for pardon or parole is without merit.

Fifteen months ago the State Federation of Labor took up the matter of securing clemency for Bailey, who was convicted of the murder of a non-union hack driver in Kansas City, and passed resolutions asking for a parole or pardon. This was followed at the last meeting of the National Federation of Labor by the adoption of a similar resolution. Gov. Hadley's letter to Mr. Gompers, however, settles the matter, so far as the present governor can settle it.

No Hurry in Hyde Case.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 29.—The third trial of the case against Dr. Hyde will not begin before April and possibly not until September of next year. Judge Porterfield and the attorneys have agreed that the case cannot be tried in January, the time of the present setting of the case, and that when it is called in January some date in either April or May will be selected, with some doubt about reaching it then.

Suicide When no Gifts Came.

Denver, Dec. 29.—Failure of her friends to remember her Christmas is believed to have caused Miss Bertha Batten, 28 years old, a trained nurse, to end her life. An empty chloroform vial was found beside the body. Miss Batten's father, Robert L. Batten, lives in Philadelphia.

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Undertaking Was Financed From San Francisco Under Direct Supervision of Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The war department has just discovered that the success of the revolutionist army in China is due to remarkable preparation which for two years had been in progress in this country. The discovery came about through the desire of many company officers in the United States army to obtain the enlistment of several expert drill sergeants, who, on the expiration of their last enlistment period, disappeared.

It now has been learned that they received offers from the Chinese revolutionary party to undertake to drill Chinese living in the United States to form the basis of an army that might be employed to overthrow the reigning dynasty. In two years there was formed secretly within the boundaries of the United States more than 8,000 effective, well drilled men, who needed only a few weeks' experience in the field under competent officers to become hardened and accustomed to severe military service.

The organization which furnished the funds for financing this preparation of an army had its headquarters in San Francisco. It was directly under the orders of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who for the greater part of the time was in New York and Honolulu. His chief representative in the United States was Brig. Gen. Homer Lea of Los Angeles. He is author of the military work, "The Valor of Ignorance," and commanded the second division of the Chinese imperial army in 1904.

General Lea suggested, it is said, the formation of companies of Chinese recruits in this country and Hawaii. The Chinese in the United States quickly acquired the knowledge of the use of the army rifle. The brightest were taught to become commanders of detachments and companies.

The imperial army continually was defeated by a small but far more active force, evidently handled by excellent tacticians.

It is now known through letters from former United States soldiers that not only was a small army raised in this country by the revolutionists, but 50 non-commissioned soldiers from our army went to China to drill the revolutionists.

Our army officers marvel at the secrecy of the enterprise. They say no race except the Chinese could have put it through successfully, and without any inkling of it to this government. They impute to Dr. Sun Yat Sen, former Minister Wu and Gen. Homer Lea the conception and working out of the scheme.

JEFFERSON CITY WILL CLEAN UP

Voted Bonds of \$70,000, to be Used for Sanitation, Fire Protection and Storm Sewers.

Jefferson City, Dec. 29.—Jefferson City voted a bonded indebtedness of \$70,000 for public improvements. This is redeemed a pledge to the people of the state in the event building a new capitol was approved last August. The affirmative vote was overwhelming. There were five propositions and the lowest majority any one received was 9 to 1. Among the improvements will be a long viaduct over Goose Creek, reaching on the east almost to the new Supreme Court building, the straightening out and sanitation of the crooked creeks that wander through the city from two directions, an up-to-date fire department, street numbers and storm sewers.

CUT PHONE RATES IN ST. JOSEPH

Public Utilities Commission Orders Bell Company's Charges Reduced January 1.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 29.—After several months' investigation the St. Joseph public utilities commission has ordered a reduction in the Missouri and Kansas Telephone (Bell) company's rates at follows: Business telephones from \$60 to \$50 a year; residence telephones, from \$30 to \$24 a year; party lines, from \$27 to \$24 to \$21.

The order is effective January 1 and it is believed the telephone company will resist it.

California Makes Oil Record.

Washington, Dec. 29.—All records in the country's production of oil were broken last year by California, which contributed 73,010,660 barrels, nearly 35 per cent, of the greatest year's production ever attained by the United States.

Russia Bars Salvation Army.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—The council of ministers has decided not to allow the Salvation Army to carry on its work in Russia.

PROFESSOR OSLER RIGHT.

Youth Succeeds Age—Gray Hair First Sign of Age—Harmless Remedy Restores Color.

Osler isn't the only man who turns down old age. In the business world the "young man" is always the one who picks the plums. It is an age of "new thought," "new talent," etc., and the old man is passed by in the race.

One of the first signs of coming age is the appearance of gray hairs. When you see them, act promptly. Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy will correct this sign, which so often deceives people into thinking that age is really upon them. It is a well known fact that Sage and Sulphur will darken the hair. Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur combines these old-time remedies with other agents, which remove dandruff and promote the growth of the hair.

The manufacturers of this remedy authorize the druggists to sell it under guarantee, that the money will be refunded if it fails to do exactly as represented.

Don't look old before your time. Get a bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur today, and see what an improvement it will make in the appearance of your hair.

This preparation is offered to the public at fifty cents a bottle, and is recommended and sold by all druggists. Special agents, Koch Pharmacy.

Mrs. W. B. Gex has several R. C. R. I. Reds for sale at \$1 each if taken soon; good ones. Farmers phone, Maryville 10-21. Graham central call residence. 29-11

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, county of Nodaway, ss.

In the circuit court, Nodaway county, at the February term thereof, 1912.

Dudley G. Rice, plaintiff, vs. Ashel P. Ashley and ——— Ashley, his wife, and the widow, unknown heirs, heirs, and legal representatives of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, defendants.

Now at this time comes plaintiff herein, before the undersigned clerk of the circuit court, in vacation, and files his petition, under his oath, alleging, among other things, that the defendants, Ashel P. Ashley and ——— Ashley, his wife, and the widow, unknown heirs, heirs, and legal representatives of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, are each and all of them non-residents of the state of Missouri, and cannot be served with summons, or by the ordinary process of law in this state, and that plaintiff believes there are persons interested in the subject matter of this petition whose names he cannot insert therein, because they are unknown to him, to-wit, the widow, and unknown heirs of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, whose interest in the subject matter of this suit so far as plaintiff knows, is such fee simple title in and to said lands as that might have by descent, devise, and inheritance, as the widow and unknown heirs of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased.

Wherefore, it is ordered by the undersigned clerk of the circuit court, in vacation, that the said defendants, the widow and unknown heirs of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, and each and all of them, be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against them by petition in this court, the object and general nature of which is to try, ascertain and determine the estate, title and interest of the parties plaintiff and defendant, in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: Commencing ten (10) chains and one hundred forty-nine (149) links north from the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of section three (3), township sixty-two (62), range thirty-seven (37), thence north three (3) chains and ninety-seven (97) links, thence west twelve (12) chains and sixty (60) links, thence south three (3) chains and ninety-seven (97) links, thence east twelve (12) chains and sixty (60) links to place of beginning, containing two (2) acres, more or less, all in Nodaway county, Missouri, and to define and adjudge by its decree the title, estate and interest of the parties, severally, in said land and to have vested absolute in plaintiff by limitation as provided by section 1884 of the revised statutes of Missouri, 1909, the title to said land having emanated from the government, in 1857, and the plaintiff and those under whom he claims having been in the lawful possession of said land for more than thirty-one years prior to the filing of this petition, and having paid taxes on said premises during all that time, and to adjudge and decree the title to said real property to be vested absolute in plaintiff, free and clear from all rights, interests, or claims of defendants, or any of them, and unless the said defendants, Ashel P. Ashley, the widow, unknown heirs, and legal representatives of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, be and appear at this court at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the court house in the city of Maryville, in Nodaway county, Missouri, on Monday, the 19th day of February, 1912, and on or before the first day of said term to answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Daily Democrat-Forum, a newspaper published daily and weekly in said county of Nodaway, for four weeks successively, at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the 1st day of said February, 1912, term of this court.

EUGENE RATHBUN, Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand and seal of the circuit court of Nodaway county this 29th day of December, 1911.

(Seal) EUGENE RATHBUN, Circuit Clerk.

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NO. 179.

8,000 FOR ROADS

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES STILL HAVE \$1,400 LEFT IN TREASURY.

FAVOR CONTRACT SYSTEM

Some Reasons Given by Burt M. Rowley as to Why Better Results Would Be Obtained That Way.

Polk township has spent during the last year nearly \$8,000 for roads, bridges and culverts in this township, and has a fund of \$1,400 left over. Burt M. Rowley, township trustee, in speaking of the matter Friday, said:

"Of the money appropriated to roads and township fund for 1911, which was \$9,018.19, all has been spent on roads, bridges and culverts except \$1,400, which, carried over with this year's taxes, will be put on the roads the coming year. The township has put in several concrete culverts this year, and more would have been put in had not cold weather stopped the work. But the board intends to continue the construction of cement culverts where old wooden ones wear out.

"Some, no doubt, will ensure the township board for not spending all of the money on the roads instead of having \$1,400 left on hand, but we feel that we have done our best, as all road overseers have put in all the time they could spare from their farm work. Of course, if a road overseer did not have any farm work to do and could give his entire attention to road work, a great deal more could be accomplished. All road overseers are authorized by the board to pay for dragging the roads when necessary at the rate of 75 cents per mile. This, perhaps, is not enough, as some roads would require a great deal more work, while some could easily be dragged for 75 cents. There are many people who keep up their road who do not want and do not expect any remuneration for dragging, their interest being in the good of the road.

"Road overseers also often complain that they have a hard time some times to get teams and help on road work; that oftentimes they call on parties to do road work and they promise to be on the job, but when the overseer goes to work they fail to show up or have made arrangements to do something else.

"I believe the contract system which has been a success in adjoining townships is the best, and would like to see it in force in this township. That is, to have all poll taxes paid in cash and used to pay some reliable man who understands road work and who would be properly equipped with road machinery to do the work, to put him out over the township regardless of what district it might be in, but wherever the roads need it the worst, and contract with him at so much per mile or day, and let him give his entire attention to the roads.

"The trouble is, all the overseers are farmers and have crops to tend, and when the roads need to be worked and could work easier, they are busy with their farm work. And again, when an overseer is obliged to work, say three teams on a grade, they generally spend a good half of the morning in rigging up the teams, and by the time the teams are working together good they are ready to quit, and the next day, with new teams, the performance is repeated, all of which would be done away with under the contract system, where the same teams would be used day after day.

"Polk township has plenty of money when the taxes are all paid in, and if every one will lend a helping hand and do their part I am sure we can depend on good roads."

A queer trade in China is the keeping of very large stags for the sake of their horns. The horns are cut every summer and the yield from a single animal is sold for \$25 in gold.

A marriage license was granted in St. Joseph Thursday to Fred L. Haynes of Skidmore and Goldie M. Still of Osage City, Kan.

News of Society and Womens' Clubs

For Miss Campbell.

Mrs. George B. Baker gave a small informal party Thursday afternoon for her niece, Miss Mary Campbell of Kansas City.

Married Last Sunday.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Donnel, east of Clearmont, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Hester, to Odis Pence, last Sunday, in the presence of the immediate relatives of both families, the Rev. Wiley, pastor of the M. E. church of Clearmont officiating. They will be at home to their friends after March 1 in the H. G. Donnel farm, which they have rented.

For Nebraska Guest.

Mrs. LeGrand Gann informally entertained four tables of guests at six-hand euchre Wednesday afternoon in compliment to her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur A. Leet, of Crab Orchard, Neb., who spent the Christmas week in Maryville. The game prize was won by Mrs. Blake Alexander of Bushnell, Ill., who is visiting in the city, and the lone-hand prize went to Miss Laura Barnmann.

A. Y. L. I. Club.

Misses Mayme and Anna Dooley entertained the A. Y. L. I. club Thursday night at six-hand euchre. Miss Mabel Todd won the game prize and Miss Lena Nixon the guest prize. After the games a buffet supper was served in the dining room, which was handsomely decorated in Christmas colors. Miss Mayme Tobin and Mrs. J. P. Cummins were the guests of the club. The club will be entertained at its next meeting by Miss Winifred Ashby, at the home of Mrs. C. Q. Smith.

Entertained at Quilting.

Mrs. J. A. Howard very pleasantly entertained a number of her friends and neighbors at a quilting Wednesday at her country home, nine miles southwest of Maryville. At 12 o'clock a sumptuous dinner was served. All enjoyed the occasion and spent a merry time together. Mrs. Howard was assisted in entertaining by her nieces, Misses Chloe and Esther Busby.

The guests were Mrs. Elihu Busby, Mrs. Howard Greeson, Mrs. Ed Riegler, Mrs. I. N. Swallow, Mrs. James Johnson, Mrs. Charles Blagg, Miss Esther Busby, Miss Chloe Busby, Miss Bertha Johnson and Miss Bertha Swallow.

Afternoon and Evening Parties.

Mrs. W. R. Wells and her daughter, Miss Marie Wells, who is at home for the holidays from Northwestern university of Chicago, and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charles Wells of Pryor, Okla., entertained a large domino party Thursday afternoon. They were assisted by Mrs. Wells' sister, Mrs. I. W. Nixon, and daughters, Mrs. W. W. Smith of Kansas City, Kan., and Misses Lena, Blanche and Myrtle Nixon, Miss Litta Roelofson, Jessie Mutz, and Misses Mabel and Edith Wells.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Wells and their sons, Robert, Harry and Burnham Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wells and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wells entertained another company with a domino party.

Mrs. Grace Rickard Married.

Announcement of the marriage of Mrs. Grace Rickard, formerly of Maryville, appeared in the St. Joseph News-Press of Wednesday. Mrs. Rickard was married Tuesday, December 19, at Jacksonville, Fla., to Dr. D. A. Sims of Fort Smith, Ark., who is an old friend of the family of the bride's father, E. Awalt of St. Joseph, formerly of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Awalt and their daughter and Miss Elsie Swann, who makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Awalt, went to Jacksonville to spend the winter. They moved to St. Joseph from Maryville about two years ago. Dr. and Mrs. Sims will be at home in Fort Smith, where he is a practicing physician. Dr. Sims visited the Awalt family while they were residents of Maryville.

Entertained for Niece.

Miss Nell Hudson entertained a company of girls Thursday afternoon in honor of her niece, Miss Helen Hudson of Norfolk, Neb., who is in the city spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hudson, and Mrs. Helen Hopkins. The guests were all former schoolmates of the guest of honor during her residence in Maryville. Miss Helen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hudson, who moved from Maryville to Norfolk last.

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IS PRINCIPAL ISSUE

DR. TAYLOR SAYS TEMPERANCE IS MAIN ISSUE OF COUNTRY.

KEEPING STUDENTS AWAY

He Meets the Saloon Objection Everywhere He Goes in District and From Best People.

The mass meeting held in the court house Thursday evening was well attended and the temperance question was discussed by President H. K. Taylor of the Normal school and E. F. Jones, state secretary of the Anti-Saloon league, who is now in the city. Mr. Jones was the first speaker of the evening, and only talked for a few minutes, and urged the local option workers to be sure to see that every dry vote is voted on election day, January 5.

President Taylor of the State Normal, as is well known, is an uncompromising foe of the liquor traffic. He believes it is the principal issue before the people of this country today, because its settlement means a stand for the right or a stand for the wrong, and calls for the highest moral action on the part of every man who has his own good and that of his fellow-man at heart. He spoke particularly of the influence the two saloons of Maryville are exerting in keeping away students from the State Normal, and told of numbers of times he had been told by well-to-do men of this Normal district that they would not send their sons and daughters to a town to be educated where the sentiment of its people is so lax as to allow the existence of two saloons such as Maryville has. He meets that objection wherever he goes in the nineteen counties of the district, and he says that the whole northwest part of the state is watching Maryville with intense interest in regard to her settlement of this question.

President Taylor thinks the whole matter presents itself in just this way to the voter: Will you stand for the boys and girls and the State Normal school, or will you stand for the two drunkard-making manufactories of Maryville?

DEATH OF JUDGE NOBLE.

Passed Away Friday Morning at His Home in Coolidge, Kan.—Body Will Be Brought to Maryville.

Judge M. E. Noble, a pioneer resident of Nodaway county, died at his home in Coolidge, Kan., Friday morning, at the age of more than 80 years. The body will be brought to Maryville for burial by his daughter, Miss Hattie Noble. Burial will take place in Miriam cemetery by the bodies of the late wife and daughter of the deceased.

The news of Judge Noble's death was received at 1 o'clock Friday by Charles E. Jones of this city, a nephew of the deceased.

Meeting Postponed.

The meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the M. E. church, South, which was to have been held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Del Thompson, has been postponed until Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, when Mrs. Thompson will entertain the society. All the members are urged to be present as it is the time for the election of officers.

Spent the Day Hunting.

Messrs. Robert Brown, Ray Foland and Horace Campbell spent the day Thursday at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lyle, southeast of the city, as the guests of their sons, Virgil, Aubrey and Omar Lyle. The boys spent the day hunting on their farm.

At Bedford Poultry Show.

The Bedford poultry show is going on this week in that city. F. P. Robinson of this city has nine Buff Rocks on exhibition at the show, and J. D. Thompson and G. W. Thompson of Hopkins have also birds on exhibition.

Dr. Martin Has Pneumonia.

Dr. F. M. Martin is confined to his home by pneumonia fever. He was visited Thursday by Dr. Westover of St. Joseph, who considered his condition as well as can be expected. There can be no change for the better before a period of six days.

Cold Wave Coming.

A drop of 20 degrees or more in the temperature will occur by tomorrow morning, according to the local weather forecaster.

TWO CORN RAISERS

EDNA C. TUCKER AND HUBERT CORKEN BREAK RECORDS.

SHOW WHAT WORK WILL DO

Brain and Brawn Combined With Good Seed Produce Crops in Poor Year Above Average of Good Years.

Hubert Corken, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Corken, living two miles southwest of Burlington Junction, broke all records for big acre yields of corn in Nodaway county when he produced 95 bushels and 42 pounds of corn on a single acre of ground. The St. Joseph Gazette, in a recent issue, had the following about young Mr. Corken, and also about Miss Edna C. Tucker of Parnell, who raised 70 bushels of corn on a worn-out acre:

This is Edna C. Tucker's story of how she raised 70 bushels and 20 pounds of corn on a worn-out acre of ground:

"My acre of ground is upland, and on a badly worn farm. I selected the



EDNA C. TUCKER. Parnell Girl Who Tells How She Made Record Yield.

best acre on the farm and purchased Reid's Yellow Dent for my seed corn. I double disked this plot on April 29; May 4 I listed the plot, and May 11 I re-listed and planted it with a two-horse corn planter, running the planter in the lister marks. The corn was drilled about nine inches apart in the row, the rows being three feet four inches apart. I then hitched a horse to a small log and dragged it over the rows to pulverize the clods. After the corn was three or four inches high I hauled one load of barn yard manure and put a small shovel full in each hill on the poorest spots. I harrowed it the next day after planting and again on May 27. May 29 a heavy rain damaged it badly by washing. I pulled the dirt up to the corn that was still in the row and replanted it the 2nd and 3rd of June. I cultivated it five



HUBERT CORKEN, Burlington Junction Boy Who is the Champion Corn Grower of the County.

times with a two-horse walking cultivator, and during the latter part of our fifty days' drought I kept going through my corn with a one-horse pulverizer or float to bring the moisture to the top of the ground. I had a dust mulch about four or five inches deep.

"My corn was tasseling July 1; was in roasting ear July 29; was denting August 6, and was harvested November 9, and weighed 4,220 pounds of dry husked corn. I chose this work because I like outdoor labor and fell

so in love with it that I intend to plant a larger acreage next year. I learned many things about farming and gained in stature and strength. County Superintendent W. M. Oakerson was so kind to help and encourage me, and while my yield was not as large as I should have liked, I suppose it did well considering the soil, the dry, hot summer, and my first attempt at farming."

At the recent boys' corn show, held under the direction of W. M. Oakerson, county superintendent of schools, young Corken won first prize in the acre contest and was awarded \$20. He will enter the state corn show, which will be held in Columbia from January 8 to 12. The largest acre yield for the state last year was 93 bushels, almost four bushels less than the Burlington Junction boy raised this year. The state prize is \$35, and if young Corken is successful in winning it the corn contest association in this county will give him an additional \$50.

The first prize in the acre contest in this county last year was won by Young Corken with a yield of 83 bushels, almost 14 bushels less than he had this year. He also won third place in the state contest last year, which was held at Columbia. In the ten-acre contest, which was held in Maryville, November 2 to 4, he won the second prize of \$9 on yellow corn.

The acre of ground on which young Corken produced his corn this year is located on the Nodaway river bottom, and was formerly part of a swamp. He prepared the ground by first cutting it up with a disc. He then plowed it with a stirring plow, harrowed and double listed it. He planted his seed, which was raised the year previous on the same farm, about May 15. The corn was planted with a checkrower. The crop was cultivated three times during the growing season and was then given no further attention until time for husking.

Young Corken feels justly proud of his records made in the leading agricultural product of Nodaway county, and his friends are confident that he will come out a winner in the state contest.

TO MEET AT ST. JOSEPH.

Standard Poland-China Record Association to Meet Here Wednesday.

Next Wednesday the Standard Poland-China Record association will meet in the assembly room on the fourth floor of the exchange building, at South St. Joseph. The men will be in session all day, and many matters of importance will be discussed.

Most of the members of the association will go Tuesday, and on Tuesday night they will be entertained at the Transit house in that city with a banquet, to which members of the live stock exchange, managers of the packing houses, officers of the Stock Yards company and of the Stock Yards bank, the mayor of the city and members of the new Commerce club, all of St. Joseph, will be invited.

It is expected that the coming meeting will be the best attended of any ever held by the association.

TILSON BACK WITH SMITH.

Will Be Taken to Jefferson City Probably Next Week.

Sheriff W. R. Tilson returned to Maryville Friday noon over the Washburn with Charles W. Smith, a 19-year-old boy, who is to be taken to the penitentiary at Jefferson City, having broken his parole. Smith was at Twin Falls, Idaho, having been there for some time.

Smith was convicted at the February term of circuit court of the charge of stealing a hog from William Mozingo, east of town, and was sentenced to two years in the pen. The court, however, paroled him, but having broken the parole, Smith will have to serve out the sentence in the pen. He will be taken there in the next few days.

TO BE IN THE BLUE BOOK.

Both the Saints and the Glidden Tour Highways to Be in That Book.

Secretary G. B. Roseberry of the Commercial club received word this week from the publishers of the Blue Book, the automobile guide book, that the Saints Highway and Glidden tour route of 1910 from Kansas City to Omaha will be in the Blue Book for 1912, if the proper data is furnished as to running directions. All that remains to be done now is to get those directions, and this will be done before January 15.

The people who make their living by working underground in mines and quarries number 6,000,000. These 6,000,000 laborers dig \$4,000,000,000 of wealth out of the earth every year.

TO GO TO JEFF. CITY

A NUMBER OF MARYVILLE ATTORNEYS TO THAT CITY.

TO ARGUE RASCO CASE

Before Supreme Court Next Week—Decision Will Not Be Given Soon.

A number of the lawyers of Maryville will be out of the city the first part of next week, as that is the time when the Rasco case will be argued before the division No. 2 of the supreme court of Missouri. The case is set on the docket for next Tuesday.

Prosecuting Attorney George Pat Wright and his assistant prosecuting attorney, M. E. Ford, and W. A. Blagg, attorneys for the state, and Attorneys E. E. Williams, Ellis G. Cook and W. H. Crawford for Rasco, will journey to Jefferson City Monday. Campbell Cummings, assistant attorney general, will have charge of the state's case.

The judges of division No. 2 are Judges John Kennish, John C. Brown and Ferris. It is likely that no decision will be given in the case until the March term of the supreme court.

If the decision of the supreme court sustains that of the lower court here itasca will probably hang for the crime of which he was convicted. But if the supreme court reverses the case a new trial will be given Rasco.

Hex Rasco, in the Buchanan county jail at St. Joseph, is not worrying much over the outcome, so it seems.

WILL LOCATE NEAR LIBERTY.

Clive C. Graves Expects to Purchase Farm in Clay County for Dairy Business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clive C. Graves, who recently sold their farm, Elm Ridge one mile north of the city, expect to go to Liberty, Mo., about the first of March, near where they expect to purchase a farm and conduct a dairy business. Mrs. Graves' parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Black, are among the old residents of Liberty.

Mr. Graves is recognized as one of the leading breeders of Jersey cattle in Northwest Missouri, and his removal will be a loss to his fellow breeders here. He expects to have a choice herd of Jersey cattle on his Clay county farm, and he will be located only a few miles from Kansas City, where the products of his business will be highly remunerative to him.

Today's Markets

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Cattle—3,500. Market steady. Estimate tomorrow, 299.
Hogs—29,900. Market 5c lower; top, \$6.40. Estimate tomorrow, 15,900.
Sheep—13,000.

KANSAS CITY.

Cattle—600. Market steady.
Hogs—5,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$6.20.
Sheep—500.
ST. JOSEPH.
Cattle—300.
Hogs—3,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$6.25.
Sheep—200.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 28.—Cattle receipts, 2,200. No change for steers and cows, but the butcher trade was in poor shape, declining 10 to 15c. Top steers brought \$7.15. Not much prospect for any improvement until after the first of the year.

Hog receipts, 10,500. Market in active shape today with values 5@10c higher. One load of extra choice heavy hogs brought an outside price of \$6.65. Bulk of the good hogs brought \$6.00@6.35. The outlook is favorable in this trade.

Sheep receipts, 2,500. Lambs 10@15c higher; top, \$6.40. We sold 'em. Sheep strong; top, \$3.50.

The Weather

Show tonight and Saturday; colder with cold wave.

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We Shall Begin Our Yearly Clearing Sale and Continue Until Saturday Night, Jan. 6th---Just 7 Business Days

Men's Suits and Overcoats, Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats--the saving is actual--the Suits and Overcoats are the ones left from our fall lines--not a l sizes in any lot-- but plenty of sizes in the different lots. There are models for Men and Young Men--al the new ones, also stouts, longs and extra sizes. "Society Brand," "Chicago Clothes" and "Xtragood" Suits for Boys. All our Men's Fancy Worsted Cassimere and Cheviot Suits will be put in 4 lots as follows:

Men's Suits	Boy's Long Pant Suits	Boy's Knee Pant Suits
\$25.00 and \$22.50 Suits at.....\$18.00	\$15.00 Suits at.....\$11.00	\$10.00 Suits at.....\$7.50
20.00 and 18.50 Suits at..... 15.00	12.50 Suits at..... 9.00	9.00 and \$8.50 Suits at..... 6.50
16.50 and 15.00 Suits at..... 11.00	10.00 Suits at..... 7.50	7.50 and 6.50 Suits at..... 5.00
10.00 Suits at..... 7.50	8.50 and 7.50 Suits at..... 5.50	5.50 and 5.00 Suits at..... 4.00
		4.50 and 4.00 Suits at..... 3.00

We have about 50 Men's Overcoats and 35 Boys' Overcoats that we will sell at the same discount.

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MT. AYR.

It looks like Christmas time now since the ground is covered with snow. Mrs. Thomas Mendenhall and son Leonard and his wife and baby were week-end visitors at the home of F. Schweikhardt and family.

The program given by the Council Corner and Mt. Ayr schools at the church last Saturday was well rendered and the teachers, as well as those who took part, deserve great praise for the work which they did.

E. E. Mozingo and Joe Wilms were out rabbit hunting last Tuesday, and report great luck.

Henry Heitman and family ate Christmas dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heitman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Cook and baby of Maryville and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Schweikhardt of Bedison spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. D. H. Inman.

Miss Clara Heitman is still improving, and we hope that she may soon be able to be out again.

There were many beautiful and useful presents placed on the tree at Mt. Ayr church Saturday night, and Santa Claus was there in all his furs which very much pleased the children.

G. A. Schweikhardt and wife spent Sunday afternoon with the former's mother, Mrs. S. E. Schweikhardt.

There will be preaching next Sunday night at Mt. Ayr by the pastor, Rev. Royston.

PILES CURED IN 5 TO 14 DAYS.

Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

Funeral Will Be Saturday.

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Catharine Riley, who died Thursday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John House, living three miles east of the city, will be held at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Oak Hill church, east of Maryville, instead of on Friday afternoon, as was announced in Thursday's paper. Burial will take place in the cemetery at the church. Rev. Claude J. Miller will conduct the services.

IF YOU HAVE A SICKLY YOUNGSTER TRY THIS FREE

The family with young children that is without sickness in the house now and then is rare, and so it is important that the head of the house should know what to do in the little emergencies that arise. A child with a serious ailment needs a doctor, it is true, but in the majority of instances, as any doctor knows, the child suffers from some intestinal trouble, usually constipation.

There is no sense in giving it a pill or a remedy containing an opiate, nor is flushing of the bowels to be always recommended. Rather give it a small dose of a mild, gentle laxative tonic like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which, by cleaning out the bowels and

strengthening the little stomach muscles, will immediately correct the trouble. This is not alone our opinion but that of Mrs. N. H. Mead of Freeport, Kan., whose granddaughter has been taking it successfully and of Mrs. J. R. Whiting of Lena, Wis., who gives it to her children and takes it herself. It is sold in fifty cent and one dollar bottles at every drug store, but if you want to test it in your family before you buy it send your address to Dr. Caldwell and he will forward a trial bottle free of charge. Address him Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 541 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

NEW STATE MANUAL

MISSOURI'S BLUE BOOK FOR 1911-12 IS OUT.

THE LARGEST MANUAL

That Has Ever Been Issued by the State--Is a Historical and Political Review of State.

A copy of the Official Manual of Missouri for the years 1911-1912, prepared by Secretary of State Roach, was received Thursday by The Democrat-Forum.

This is the largest and most comprehensive manual ever issued by the state, and, besides the indexes, contains 834 pages. It is both a historical and political review of Missouri and, in addition, contains a vast amount of miscellaneous information, covering almost every subject pertaining to the state and national governments.

There are pictures in it of all the state officials, members of congress, judges of the supreme and appellate courts, members of the state senate and house of representatives and all the state buildings and institutions.

A striking picture of Mark Twain is on the front page, and there also is a full page engraving of the fire that destroyed the old state capitol February 5, 1911.

Recent elections, including the state primaries, are enumerated and the vote is recorded, to meet the most exacting demands of those interested in politics.

What doubtless will provoke the Republicans is the record of the apportionment of the state senatorial districts, arranged last summer by Attorney General Major and Secretary of State Roach, which Governor Hadley refused to promulgate. This is to be found on pages 482-83.

Unless the courts interfere these districts will be certified to the election officials next year as legally constituted, and the votes for state senator will be in accordance therewith.

The first manual, a mere pamphlet in comparison with the present one, was issued by former Secretary of State Michael K. McGrath of St. Louis in the early eighties, and largely at his own expense. At that time the state did not make provision for printing the book, but its appearance soon created a demand that the legislature could not ignore.

NEWS OF SOCIETY AND WOMEN'S CLUBS

(Continued from page 1.)

June. The afternoon was spent in playing dominoes, after which four of the guests, Miss Mildred Bellows, Miss Laura Curfman, Miss Mabel Curmutt,

Miss Nellie Hutton and Miss Helen Hudson, gave a musical program of piano numbers. The prizes at dominoes, a poinsettia, went to Miss Fay Herndon. The consolation prize, a jack in the box, went to Miss Minda Barr. A luncheon consisting of marsh-mallow pudding, cake and chocolate was served. The hostess was assisted in entertaining by Miss Carrie Hopkins, an aunt of the honor guest. Those present were Mrs. W. H. Hudson, Mrs. Helen Hopkins, Misses Carrie Hopkins, Esther Dietz, Mary Louise Andrews, Beatrice Gowney, Lou Mutz, Fay Herndon, Minda Barr, Laura Curfman, Mildred Bellows, Mabel Curmutt, Nellie Hutton and Blanche Gray.

St. Joseph Dinner Guests.

Mrs. D. N. Scott and daughter, Miss Besse, entertained at dinner Friday Mrs. Guy Bowers of St. Joseph. Mrs. Bowers is in Maryville on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Mary Neuens.

Thursday Dinner Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Craig entertained with a dinner Thursday for their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Coe of Tarkio, who are their holiday guests. The invited company present were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gex and their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gex of Higgins, Texas; Mrs. John M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Florian Gex of Ghent, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burris of Graham, and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holmes.

First Time in Eight Years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gex of near Graham held a family reunion at the beautiful home Wednesday, the first time the family had all been together in eight years. Their family consists of five sons and five daughters, who are John and William Gex, young farmers of Hughes township; Florin Gex of Ghent, Ky.; Louis Gex of Higgins, Texas; Robert Brookings Gex a student in a military school in Kentucky; Mrs. William V. Mountjoy and Mrs. John M. Wilson of Graham; Mrs. Halbert Catterson of near Maryville, and Misses Bettie and Marjiam, at home.

Concert Company to Fairfax.

The State Normal Concert quartet left Friday morning for Fairfax, Mo., where they will put on a concert this Friday evening.

HEARD IN MARYVILLE.

Bad Backs Made Strong--Kidney Pills Corrected.

All over Maryville you hear it. Doan's Kidney Pills are keeping up the good work, curing weak kidneys, driving away backache, correcting urinary ills. Maryville people are telling about it--telling of bad backs made sound again. You can believe the testimony of your own townspeople. They tell it for the benefit of you who are suffering. If your back aches, if you feel lame, sore and miserable, if the kidneys act too frequently, or passages are painful, scanty and off color, use Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that has helped so many of your friends and neighbors. Follow this Maryville citizen's advice and give Doan's a chance to do the same for you.

Mrs. James Fisher, 804 East Fifth street, Maryville, Mo., says: "In the summer of 1911 I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, which were procured at Love's drug store, and I found that they gave me relief from hard, dull backaches and pains in my loins and sides. I heartily endorse Doan's Kidney Pills, and I am positive that they are in every way a dependable medicine."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name--Doan's--and take no other.

CLEARED \$454,000

MABRAY SYNDICATE GAVE OUT COMPLETE LIST OF VICTIMS.

ONLY TWO FROM HERE

Majority of Victims at Council Bluffs--Many at Seattle and New Orleans.

In the list of victims of the swindle gang as revealed at the trial show that there were two in this section. They were W. H. Bedford of Bolckow, who dropped \$5,000, and Z. Pierpoint of Maryville, who lost \$2,100.

Mabray's alleged relations with Ben Marks and the numerous occasions on which Mabray declares he visited Marks at the latter's home on Vine street, in Council Bluffs, Ia., were gone into in detail in the cross-examination of the arch conspirator Thursday. Mabray's testimony in chief was not shaken in the least, and the efforts of the defense so far seem to have achieved just one main purpose--the blackening of the character of Mabray by the recitation of the long list of his misdeeds. No pity has been shown him in that regard nor in any other.

Mabray has given a supposedly complete list of the "mikes" who were swindled by the "big store" either in Seattle, New Orleans or Council Bluffs and was able to identify the names of the victims whose losses aggregated the enormous total of \$454,205. Council Bluffs victims numbered more than half of the grand total, the other being divided between New Orleans and Seattle. The division of the "mikes" in the list shows:

Council Bluffs victims, 1907....	\$ 79,680
Council Bluffs victims, 1909....	176,595
Total Bluffs victims.....	\$256,275
New Orleans victims.....	\$149,080
Seattle victims.....	48,850

Grand total.....\$454,205

This list does not include the names of a few victims regarding whom Mabray could not testify. E. L. Collins of Dallas Center, Ia., was included in the list as a victim of the gang in New Orleans, May 3, 1907, when he lost \$10,000 on a wrestling match. Mabray said he could not recall the name, and the date would indicate that Mabray had come to Council Bluffs shortly before that time.

There were a number of scattering cases of "miking" at different times on the list as it was submitted to Mabray. A couple of "mikes" were taken to South Bend, Ind., one to San Francisco, one to Los Angeles, two to Denver, one to St. Louis and two to Denver, some \$60,000 being taken from them, according to the list, but Mabray declared he knew nothing of those sporadic instances.

Referring to his experience while in prison at Leavenworth, Mabray said he had been visited there by a number of people to talk about the operations of the gang. Among them were Postoffice Inspectors Swenson and Ranger, Attorney General Cosson, United States Marshal Clark, Deputy United States Marshal Groneweg, Tom Dennison of Omaha, and a number of others.

He had never made but one written confession, that being to Swenson some nine or ten months or a year before the visit of Mr. Cosson, which he fixed as about August of the present year.

Asked as to whom visited him in the prison after the visit of Mr. Cosson, Mabray named Dennison and a Kansas City hotel man named Bond.

"Did you talk with these visitors,

after the visit of the attorney general, about any promises that may have been made to you with reference to these other cases here?" asked Mr. Organ.

"Yes, sir."

While the question was asked as to any such conversation with regard to such promises of immunity, there was no question asked if he had been given any promises of immunity. The topic of the examination was immediately changed.

He was asked particularly as to his visit to Council Bluffs at the time he appeared before the grand jury that indicted Marks in October, before his sentence at Leavenworth had been completed.

It was brought out that he was brought here, as published at the time by way of Des Moines, and that while at Des Moines he stopped at a hotel with his guard and with Mrs. Mabray, and was taken on a Sunday afternoon to the state capitol for a lengthy conference with the attorney-general.

While at Des Moines Mabray stated he had seen the attorney general, Assistant Attorney General Fletcher, Assistant Attorney General Sampson, Postoffice Inspectors Swenson and Ranger, and also some personal friends, including Sheriff Ness, Jailor Wise and Bob King, a saloon man.

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100 to select from. A good one for \$1. A few choice ones \$1.50 each. Mrs. Albert S. Watson, Maryville, Mo. R. F. D. 1. Rural Phone 5-15.

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CHOICE COCKERELS
\$1.00 EACH.
Mrs. HENRY SMOCK, Maryville, Mo. R. F. D. No. 3. Phone 13-22.

CLEARANCE SALE

In order to make room for our Spring Stock, we will put on sale Saturday, December 30, a fine line of Ladies' Hats worth from \$5 to \$10 for only

\$1.00 and \$2.00

Among these are hats suitable for young, middle aged and elderly ladies. Also a fine line of children's hats for only 50c each.

MRS. W. J. STAPLES

Public Sale of A Thousand Articles

We hold a week sale at our store commencing Friday, Dec. 29th, ending Saturday, Jan. 6th.

Consisting of all kinds of Christmas goods; we will absolutely sell out our Xmas line for most anything we can get. We will not keep over a single dollar's worth of Xmas goods.

100 Christmas ties, 50c values, on sale 20c.
Men's initial handkerchiefs, worth 10c and 15c, all for 5c each.

Ladies' 10c handkerchiefs, 5c.
Ladies' Embroidered handkerchiefs, worth 25c, 12½c
Men's 5c handkerchiefs, 2 for 5c.
Fine \$2.00 Watersets, 79c.
\$1.00 Salad Bowls, 42c.

All 25c fancy dishes, 15 and 25 centers, all on sale, 10c
Dolls less than half price. We will not stop to name our prices but will ask you in, and see for yourself. We are going to sell and sell fast. The first in will get the cream of our sale. Sale starts Friday, Dec. 29th, at 8 o'clock.

Scott's Old Stand
J. O. CARTER

IT'S A POOR CAUSE THAT HAS NO ARGUMENT OF ITS OWN TO OFFER.

It's no exaggeration to say that Maryville is the queen city of Northwest Missouri, but in painting the good certain people have omitted to mention the fact that there is one objectionable feature in the town—the saloons and their element. Do they attribute the splendid school system, the hospital, the State Normal, the miles of paved streets, the extensive sewerage system and the other improvements to the work of the saloons as city builders?

But what of the fact that every few days, and often for days at a time, headlines in the city papers tell of drunken excesses and the work of the police court? Is that good advertising for Maryville?

Will this not serve to drive away people who might otherwise bring their children to Maryville? Would not people who are desirous of locating in a school town prefer the city without temptations in the way of saloons? Is it a good thing for Maryville, with all of its other advantages, that police court news must be featured each day in the papers?

Hundreds of Maryville young men and women have found distinction and honorable service in other cities, in all the walks of life, but was it because of the saloon? Was it because of the liquors sold over the bars of the two saloons that they attained such prominent positions in other parts of the country? Those who have succeeded are those who abstained from the use of intoxicating drinks in spite of the temptations of the saloons.

Can the saloons claim that because of their existence here that a good school system was founded, that the climate is healthful and that the citizens are liberal, progressive and intelligent? Would not the citizens of Maryville be just as healthful, wise and progressive had it not been for the saloon? Does the saloon beget wisdom and learning?

The drunken brawls that take place about the saloons every few days, the drunken men who stagger through the streets almost daily, bumping into women and children, and the greatly increased cost of the working of the police system are blackening the city in the eyes of those who patronize the local merchants, or who might otherwise be residents and citizens of the town.

The only argument advanced by the saloon interests so far has been the effort to hide the saloon and its work behind the skirts of the church, the schools and the good people who have gone out of Maryville to find success, etc. Why is it that the saloon interests must point out the school, the church and home as a reason for their continuance and neglect to mention their own work and output? What kind of a cause is it that cannot advance the argument of its own works in its favor?

It requires no stretching of imagination or deviation from the truth to see cases of once well known business men who have fallen through the influences of the saloon. How an occasional drink, a treat from a friend have led to frequent drunks and carousals, and this in turn has led to men falling so low as to sell the clothing of the wife for money for drink. What of the man who exercises personal liberty to the extent of chasing his wife from his home? Do they mention the cases of poor and needy families denied proper food and clothing because the money belonging to them is spent in the saloons?

Maryville people have had to apologize for the saloons for the past four years the Normal has been located here. Will it be necessary for Maryville people to appear in the role of apologists after January 5? "Vote her dry."—Advertisement.

FARMERS TAKE NOTICE

On Wednesday, January 3rd, 1912, W. H. Klair of Wilmington, Del., will be at my barn to buy express load horses. Bring in your fat horses, any size. Remember the date, one day only. J. A. FORD.

For Sale

At a bargain, good sawmill, Russell make; has double saw; in first class shape. If you want a snap write me at once. A. P. BOLIN, Arkoe, Mo.

Beautiful Flowers

For New Year's Day

Choice selected fresh carnations, \$1.00 per dozen. Roses, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per dozen. Shorter stemmed and second size carnations and roses at lower prices, according to quality. Narcissus, violets, sweet peas, etc. Also a nice selection of choice blooming plants. We will deliver with your New Year's greetings.

ENGELMANN GREENHOUSES,
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The FLYING MERCURY

By Eleanor M. Ingram

Author of

"The Game and the Candle"

Illustrations By

RAY WALTERS

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CHAPTER IV.—Continued.

Dazed momentarily, Emily stood, then caught up her skirts and ran after him. She knew well enough what the testers of the cars risked.

"Dick!" she appealed. "Dick!"

But it was not the wreck she anticipated that met her eyes as she came through the hedge. On the opposite side of the road a long low skeleton car was standing, one side lurching drunkenly down with two wheels in the gutter. Still in his seat, the driver was leaning over the steering-wheel, out of breath, but laughing a greeting to the astonished Dick.

"A break in the steering-gear," he declared, by way of explanation. "I told Bailey it was a weak point; now perhaps he'll believe me and strengthen it."

"You're not hurt," Dick inferred. "I think she's not a tire gone. Find anything wrong, Rupert?"

"Two tires off," said the laconic mechanic. "Two funerals postponed. That was a pretty stop, Darling."

"Very," coolly agreed Lestrage, rising and removing his goggles. "What's the matter, Ffrench?"

"You frightened us out of our five sense, that's all. Do you usually practise for races out here?"

"Us?" repeated Lestrage, and turning, saw the girl at the edge of the park. "Miss Ffrench, I beg your pardon!"

The swift change in his tone, the ease of deference with which he bared his head and, motor caps not being readily donned or doffed, so remained bareheaded in the bright sunlight, savored of the Continent.

"It is too commonplace to say good morning," Emily replied, her color rising with her smile. "I am very glad you escaped. But that is commonplace, too, I'm afraid."

"Every one is commonplace before breakfast," reassured her cousin. "Honestly, Lestrage, do you practice racing here?"

"Hardly. I'm trying out the car; every car has to go through that before it is used. Don't you know that we've recently secured from the local authorities a permit to run at any speed over this road between four o'clock and eight in the morning? I thought all the countryside knew that."

"But we have a regiment of men to test cars."

Lestrage passed a caressing glance over the dingy-gray machine in its state of bareness that suggested indecorum.

"This is my car, the one I'll race this spring and summer. No one

drives it but me. Besides, I have to have some diversion."

He stepped to the ground with the last word, and went around to where Rupert was on his knees beside the machine.

"Can you fix it here?" he demanded. "Not precisely," was the drawled reply. "Back to camp for it with a horse in front."

"All right. You'll have to walk down and get a car from Mr. Bailey to tow it home."

Rupert got up, his dark, malign little face twisted.

"If I'd broken a leg they'd have sent a cart for me," he mourned. "Now I'll have to walk, and I ain't used to it. Hard luck!"

"If you go around to the stables they will give you my pony cart," Emily offered impulsively. "You," her dimpling smile gleamed out, "you once put a tire on for me, you know. Please let me return the service."

Rupert's black eyes opened, a slow grin of appreciation crinkled streaks of dust and oil as he surveyed the young girl.

"I'll put tires on every wheel you run into control, day and night shifts," he acknowledged with sweet cordiality. "But I'm no horse-chaufer, thanks; I guess I'll walk."

"He is a gentle pony," she remonstrated. "Any one can drive him."

He turned a side glance toward the motionless car.

"That's all right, but I'm used to being killed other ways. I'll be going."

"Jack Rupert, do you mean to tell



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me that you will race with Lestrage every season, and yet you're afraid to drive a fat cob?" cried the delighted Dick.

"I'm not telling anything. I had a chum who was pitched out by a horse he lost control of, and broke his neck. I'm taking no chances."

"How many men have you seen break their necks out of autos?"

"That's in business," pronounced Rupert succinctly. "I'm going on, Darling; it's only a two-mile run."

"Here, wait," Dick urged. "Emily, I'll stroll around to the stables with him and make one of the men drive him down. You don't mind my leaving you?"

"No," Emily answered. "I will wait for you."

She might have walked back alone, if she had chosen. But instead she sat down on a boulder near the hedge, folding her hands in her lap like a demure child. The house was so dull, so hopelessly monotonous contrasted with this fresh, wind-tossed outdoors and Lestrage in his vigor of life and glamour of ultra-modern adventure.

"You and Mr. Ffrench are very good," Lestrage said presently. "I am afraid I appreciate it more than Rupert, though."

"Is he really afraid of horses?"

"I should not wonder; I never tried him. But he is amazingly truthful."

Their eyes met across the strip of sunny road as they smiled; again Emily felt the sudden confidence, the falling away of all constraint before the direct clarity of his regard.

"You won your race," she said irrelevantly. "I was glad, since you wanted it."

"Thank you," he returned with equal simplicity. "But I did not want it that way, so far as I was concerned."

"Yet, it was the next step?"

"Yes, it was the next step. I meant that one does not care to be victor because the leading cars were wrecked. There is no elation in defeating a driver who lies out on the course. But, as you say, it helped my purpose. You," he hesitated for the right phrase, "you are most kind to recall that I have a purpose."

It was the convent-bred Emily who looked back at him, earnest-eyed, exaltedly serious.

"I have thought of it often. Every one else that I know just lives the way things happen—there are only a few people who grasp things and make them happen. That is real work; so many of us are just given work we do not want—" she broke off.

"If we do not want the work, it is probably not our own," said Lestrage. "Unless we have brought it on ourselves by a fault we must undo—I need not speak of that to you. One must not make the mistake of assuming some one else's work."

He spoke gently, almost as if with a clairvoyant reading of her tendency to self-immolation.

"But may not some one else's fault be given us to undo?" she asked eagerly. "May not their work be forced on us?"

"No," he answered.

"No?" bewildered.

"I don't think so. Each one of us has enough with his own, at least so it seems to me. Most of us die before we finish it."

Emily paused, contending with the loneliness and doubts which impelled her to speech, the feminine yearning to let another decide her problems. This other's nonchalant strength of decision allured her uncertainty.

"I am discouraged," she confessed. "And tired. I—there is no reason why I should not speak of it. You know Dick, how he can do nothing in the factory or business, or in the places where a French should stand. All this must fall into the hands of strangers, to be broken and forgotten, when my uncle dies, for lack of some one who would care. And Uncle Ethan seems severe and hard, but it grieves him all the time. His only son was not a good man; he lives abroad with his wife, who was an actress before he married her. You knew that?" as he moved.

"I heard something of it in the village," Lestrage admitted gravely. "Please do not think me fond of gossip; I could not avoid it. But I should not have imagined this a family likely to make low marriages."

"It never happened before. I never saw that cousin, nor did Dick; but he was always a disappointment, always. Uncle Ethan has told me. And since he failed, and Dick fails, there is only me."

"You!"

She nodded, her lip quivering.

"Only me. Not as a substitute—I am not fit for that—but to find a substitute. I have promised my uncle to marry the first one who is able to be that."

The silence was absolute. Lestrage neither moved nor spoke, gazing down at her bent head with an expression blending many shades.

"It is a duty; there is no one except me," she added. "Only sometimes I grow—to dislike it too much. I am so selfish that sometimes I hope a substitute will never come."

Her voice died away. It was done; she, Emily Ffrench, had deliberately confided to this stranger that which an hour before she would have believed no one could force from her lips in articulate speech. And she neither regretted nor was ashamed, although there was time for full realization before Lestrage answered.

"I did not believe," he said, "that such things could be done. It is nonsense! It is the kind of situation, Miss Ffrench, where any man is justified in interfering. I beg you will leave the affair in my hands and think no more of such morbid self-sacrifice."

Stupefied, Emily flung back her head, staring at him.

"In your hands?"

"Since there are none better, it appears. Why," his vivid face questioned her full and straightly, "you didn't imagine that any man living could hear what you are doing, and pass on?"

"My uncle knows—"

"Your uncle—is not for me to criticize. But do not ask any other man to let you go on."

Her ideas reeling, she struggled for comprehension.

"You, what could you do?" she marveled. "The substitute—"

"There won't be any substitute," replied Lestrage with perfect coolness. "I shall train Dick Ffrench to do his work."

"You—"

"I can, and I will."

"He can not—"

"Oh, yes, he can; he is just idle and spoiled," the firm lips set more firmly. "He shall take his place, I can handle him."

Emily sat quite helplessly, her eyes black with excitement. Slowly recollection flowed back to her of a change in Dick since his light contact with Lestrage; his avoidance of even occasional highballs, his awakening interest in the clean sport of the races, and his half-wistful admiration for the virile driver-manager.

"I almost believe you could," she conceded.

"I can," repeated Lestrage. "Only," he openly smiled, "it will be hard on Dickie."

It was the touch needed, the antidote to sentiment. Emily laughed with him, laughed in sheer mischief and relief and leap of youth.

"You will be gentle—poor Dickie!"

"I'll be gentle. He is coming now, I think." He took a step nearer her. "You will leave this in my care, wholly? You will not trouble about a substitute?"

"I will leave it with you. But you are forgetting your own doctrine; you are taking some one else's work to do."

"Pardon, I am merely making Ffrench do his work. I have seen a little more of him than you perhaps know; I understand what I am undertaking. Moreover, I would forget a great many doctrines to set you free."

"Free?" she echoed; she had the sensation of being suddenly confronted with an open door into the unexpected.

"Free," he quietly reassured. "Free to live your own life and draw unhampered breath, and to decide the great question when it comes, with thought only of yourself."

She drew back; a prescient dimness fell sharply across her late relief, a panic crossed with strange delight.

"He's off," called Dick, emerging from the park. "I made Anderson take him down with the limousine. At least, Rupert is driving while Anderson sits alongside and holds on; when they came to the turn in the avenue, your previous mechanic took it full speed and then apologized for going so slowly because, as he said, he was an amateur and likely to upset. Is he really a good driver, Lestrage?"

"Pretty fair," returned Lestrage serenely, from his seat on the edge of the ditched machine. "When I'm not using him, he's employed as one of the factory car testers; and when

we're racing I give him the wheel if I want to fix anything. However, I'm obliged to that steering-knuckle for breaking here, instead of leaving me to a long wait in the wilds. Come down to the shop tomorrow at six, and Rupert and I will even up by taking you for a run."

"Who? me? You're asking me?"

"Why not? It's exhilarating."

Dick removed his hat and ran his fingers through his hair, gratification and alarm mingling in his expression with somewhat the effect of the small boy who is first invited into a game with his older brother's clique.

"You—er, wouldn't smash me up?" he hesitated.

"I haven't smashed up Rupert or myself, so far. If you feel timid, never mind, of course; I'll take my usual companion."

Dick flushed all over his plump face, the French blood up at last.

"I was only joking," he hastily explained. "I'll come. It's only that you're so confoundedly reckless sometimes, Lestrage, and— But I'll come."

Lestrage gave his fine, glinting smile as he rose to salute Emily.

"All right. If you don't get down to the factory in time, I'll call for you," he promised.

(To Be Continued.)

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New York's Plans for Saturday Likely to End in Discord Unless Most Guests Stay Away.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Representative Barthold of Missouri, widely known as a peace advocate in congress, announced that he would not attend the peace dinner in New York Saturday night.

"What's the use of going to a peace dinner if they are not for peace?" said Mr. Barthold.

New York, Dec. 29.—The peace dinner scheduled for Saturday night, has resulted in the finest lot of personal and political rows that the sincerest antagonist of peace could desire. If it has not already been broken up in a row it likely will break up in one, unless most of the invited guests stay away.

Mr. Roosevelt, whose peace sentiments are widely known, promptly declined the second invitation sent him to attend. Asked the reason, he said: "I am not going because I am not hungry."

Later, Mr. Roosevelt said: "Things seem to have been humming this week and they will hum some more. I guess everyone will know where I stand on some things before I get through."

"I have expressed my willingness to have the letter I wrote to the committee of the peace dinner made public Saturday night. I hope it will not be made public until after the dinner, for I expressed myself mightily plainly and yet I would not wish to interfere with the dinner."

Andrew Carnegie, not President Taft, it is said, was responsible for Roosevelt's refusal to attend.

Mayor Gaynor sent word to the committee that he would not serve as chairman of the reception committee. It was explained that the mayor withdrew because John Temple Graves had been selected as toastmaster.

HACK DRIVER MUST PAY PENALTY

Governor Hadley Refuses to Pardon Murderer on Plea of Organized Labor.

Jefferson City, Dec. 29.—So far as Gov. Hadley is concerned, Edgar G. Bailey of Kansas City must end his days in the penitentiary. Gov. Hadley addressed a letter to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in which he reviews the crime for which Bailey was convicted, the adverse views of Pardon Attorney Denton in the matter of clemency for Bailey and his own conclusion that the petition for pardon or parole is without merit.

Fifteen months ago the State Federation of Labor took up the matter of securing clemency for Bailey, who was convicted of the murder of a non-union hack driver in Kansas City, and passed resolutions asking for a parole or pardon. This was followed at the last meeting of the National Federation of Labor by the adoption of a similar resolution. Gov. Hadley's letter to Mr. Gompers, however, settles the matter, so far as the present governor can settle it.

No Hurry in Hyde Case.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 29.—The third trial of the case against Dr. Hyde will not begin before April and possibly not until September of next year. Judge Porterfield and the attorneys have agreed that the case cannot be tried in January, the time of the present setting of the case, and that when it is called in January some date in either April or May will be selected, with some doubt about reaching it then.

Suicide When no Gifts Came.

Denver, Dec. 29.—Failure of her friends to remember her Christmas is believed to have caused Miss Bertha Batten, 28 years old, a trained nurse, to end her life. An empty chloroform vial was found beside the body. Miss Batten's father, Robert L. Batten, lives in Philadelphia.

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Washington, Dec. 29.—The war department has just discovered that the success of the revolutionist army in China is due to remarkable preparation which for two years had been in progress in this country. The discovery came about through the desire of many company officers in the United States army to obtain the enlistment of several expert drill sergeants, who, on the expiration of their last enlistment period, disappeared.

It now has been learned that they received offers from the Chinese revolutionary party to undertake to drill Chinese living in the United States to form the basis of an army that might be employed to overthrow the reigning dynasty. In two years there was formed secretly within the boundaries of the United States more than 8,000 effective, well drilled men, who needed only a few weeks' experience in the field under competent officers to become hardened and accustomed to severe military service.

The organization which furnished the funds for financing this preparation of an army had its headquarters in San Francisco. It was directly under the orders of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who for the greater part of the time was in New York and Honolulu. His chief representative in the United States was Brig. Gen. Homer Lea of Los Angeles. He is author of the military work, "The Valor of Ignorance," and commanded the second division of the Chinese imperial army in 1904.

General Lea suggested, it is said, the formation of companies of Chinese recruits in this country and Hawaii. The Chinese in the United States quickly acquired the knowledge of the use of the army rifle. The brightest were taught to become commanders of detachments and companies.

The imperial army continually was defeated by a small but far more active force, evidently handled by excellent tacticians.

It is now known through letters from former United States soldiers that not only was a small army raised in this country by the revolutionists, but 50 non-commissioned soldiers from our army went to China to drill the revolutionists.

Our army officers marvel at the secrecy of the enterprise. They say no race except the Chinese could have put it through successfully, and without any inkling of it to this government. They impute to Dr. Sun Yat Sen, former Minister Wu and Gen. Homer Lea the conception and working out of the scheme.

JEFFERSON CITY WILL CLEAN UP

Voted Bonds of \$70,000, to be Used for Sanitation, Fire Protection and Storm Sewers.

Jefferson City, Dec. 29.—Jefferson City voted a bonded indebtedness of \$70,000 for public improvements. This is redeemed a pledge to the people of the state in the event building a new capitol was approved last August. The affirmative vote was overwhelming. There were five propositions and the lowest majority any one received was 9 to 1. Among the improvements will be a long viaduct over Goose Creek, reaching on the east almost to the new Supreme Court building, the straightening out and sanitation of the crooked creeks that wander through the city from two directions, an up-to-date fire department, street numbers and storm sewers.

CUT PHONE RATES IN ST. JOSEPH

Public Utilities Commission Orders Bell Company's Charges Reduced January 1.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 29.—After several months' investigation the St. Joseph public utilities commission has ordered a reduction in the Missouri and Kansas Telephone (Bell) company's rates at follows: Business telephones from \$60 to \$50 a year; residence telephones, from \$30 to \$27 a year; party lines, from \$27 to \$24 to \$21.

The order is effective January 1 and it is believed the telephone company will resist it.

California Makes Oil Record.

Washington, Dec. 29.—All records in the country's production of oil were broken last year by California, which contributed 73,010,660 barrels, nearly 35 per cent, of the greatest year's production ever attained by the United States.

Russia Bars Salvation Army.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—The council of ministers has decided not to allow the Salvation Army to carry on its work in Russia.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, county of Nodaway, ss.

In the circuit court, Nodaway county, at the February term thereof, 1912. Dudley G. Rice, plaintiff, vs. Ashel P. Ashley and ——— Ashley, his wife, and the widow, unknown heirs, heirs, and legal representatives of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, defendants.

Now at this time comes plaintiff herein, before the undersigned clerk of the circuit court, in vacation, and files his petition, under his oath, alleging, among other things, that the defendants, Ashel P. Ashley and ——— Ashley, his wife, and the widow, unknown heirs, heirs, and legal representatives of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, are each and all of them non-residents of the state of Missouri, and cannot be served with summons, or by the ordinary process of law in this state, and that plaintiff believes there are persons interested in the subject matter of this petition whose names he cannot insert therein, because they are unknown to him, to wit, the widow, and unknown heirs of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, whose interest in the subject matter of this suit so far as plaintiff knows, is such fee simple title in and to said lands as that might have by descent, devise, and inheritance, as the widow and unknown heirs of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased.

Wherefore, it is ordered by the undersigned clerk of the circuit court, in vacation, that the said defendants, the widow and unknown heirs of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, and each and all of them, be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against them by petition in this court, the object and general nature of which is to try, ascertain and determine the estate, title and interest of the parties plaintiff and defendant, in and to the following described real estate, to wit: Commencing ten (10) chains and one hundred forty-nine (149) links north from the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of section three (3), township sixty-two (62), range thirty-seven (37), thence north three (3) chains and ninety-seven (97) links, thence west twelve (12) chains and sixty (60) links, thence south three (3) chains and ninety-seven (97) links, thence east twelve (12) chains and sixty (60) links to place of beginning, containing two (2) acres, more or less, all in Nodaway county, Missouri, and to define and adjudge by its decree the title, estate and interest of the parties, severally, in said land and to have vested absolute in plaintiff by limitation as provided by section 1884 of the revised statutes of Missouri, 1909, the title to said land having emanated from the government, in 1857, and the plaintiff and those under whom he claims having been in the lawful possession of said land for more than thirty-one years prior to the filing of this petition, and having paid taxes on said premises during all that time, and to adjudge and decree the title to said real property to be vested absolute in plaintiff, free and clear from all rights, interests, or claims of defendants, or any of them, and unless the said defendants, Ashel P. Ashley, the widow, unknown heirs, and legal representatives of Ashel P. Ashley, if deceased, be and appear at this court at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the court house in the city of Maryville, in Nodaway county, Missouri, on Monday, the 19th day of February, 1912, and on or before the first day of said term to answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Daily Democrat-Forum, a newspaper published daily and weekly in said county of Nodaway, for four weeks successively, at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the 1st day of said February, 1912, term of this court.

EUGENE RATHBUN, Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand and seal of the circuit court of Nodaway county this 29th day of December, 1911.

(Seal) EUGENE RATHBUN, Circuit Clerk.

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